

# UTD Ray and Beam Methods for Analysis of Large EM Wave Problems

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# ABSTRACT



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It is well known from the independent works of Keller, Deschamps, and Felsen, respectively, that an electromagnetic (EM) point current source positioned in complex space produces a beam wave field which is highly localized about its forward propagation axis. It is noted that the EM field of a complex source beam (CSB) constitutes an exact solution of Maxwell's equations, and it is simply obtained by an analytic continuation of the exact closed form expression of the EM field for a point current in real space, where the real source coordinates are replaced by complex values. In its paraxial region, a CSB automatically reduces to a Gaussian Beam (GB). By controlling the values of the complex source coordinates, one can produce either a CSB with a very broad ( not well focused ) beam or a very narrow ( highly focused ) beam; consequently, such a CSB field can be made to pass smoothly from the field of a real point source to a plane wave field. It is clear that CSBs can serve as highly useful basis functions to represent EM fields, and indeed they have been used in this fashion by some researchers in this area. Here, additional useful methods for developing convergent CSB expansions to represent the fields of EM sources, via appropriate EM equivalence theorems, will be illustrated. Applications of such CSB expansions to analyze a class of electrically large practical antenna and scattering problems will be presented to demonstrate their utility.

**Index Terms:** Ray Optics, Diffraction, GTD, UTD, PTD, Beams, Hybrid Methods

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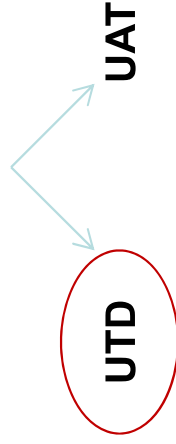
**Prabhakar Pathak** received his Ph.D (NVTP) from the Ohio State Univ (OSU). Currently he is Professor (Emeritus) at OSU. He is also a Courtesy Professor and an Adjunct Professor at Univ. of South Florida. Prof. Pathak is regarded as a co-developer of the uniform geometrical theory of diffraction (UTD). His interests continue to be in the development of new UTD solutions in both frequency and time domains, as well as in the development of fast Beam and Hybrid methods, for solving large antenna/scattering problems of engineering interest. Prof. Pathak has been actively presenting short courses and invited talks at conferences and workshops both in the US and abroad. He has authored/coauthored over a hundred journal and conference papers, as well as contributed chapters to seven books. Prior to NVVP, he served two consecutive terms as an Associate Editor of IEEE Trans. AP-S. He was appointed as an IEEE (AP-S) Distinguished lecturer (DL) from 1991-1993. Prof. Pathak was also appointed as the chair of the IEEE AP-S DL program during 1995 – 2005. He served as a member of the IEEE AP-S AdCom in 2010. He received the 1996 Schelkunoff best paper award from IEEE-AP-S; the ISAP 2009 best paper award; the George Sinclair award (1996) from OSU ElectroScience Laboratory; and, IEEE Third Millennium Medal from AP- S in 2000. Prof. Pathak received the Distinguished Achievement Award from IEEE AP-S in 2013. He is an IEEE Life Fellow, and a member of URSI-commission B.

- Two Basic Asymptotic High Frequency (HF) Methodologies can be Categorized as follows:



## 1. RAY OPTICAL METHODS

- a) Geometrical Optics (GO)
- b) Geometrical Theory of Diffraction (GTD)  
[GTD = GO + Diffraction]
- c) Uniform Version of the GTD



## 2. WAVE OPTICAL METHODS

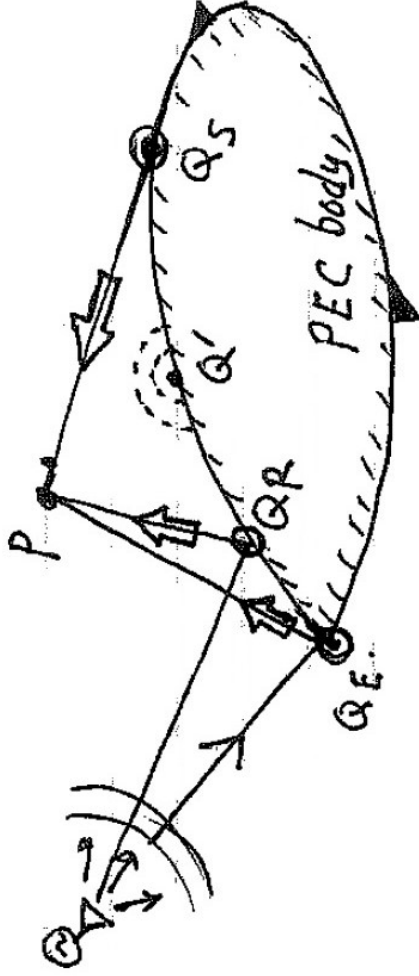
- a) Physical Optics (PO)
- b) Physical Theory of Diffraction (PTD)  
[PTD = PO + Diffraction Correction]
- c) Incremental Theory of Diffraction (ITD) and  
Equivalent Current Method (ECM)

# ON THE LOCALIZATION OF THE WAVE PROPAGATION AT HF

- The HF localization principle can be demonstrated via asymptotic evaluation of the radiation integral as depicted below:



a) Radiation integral for the scattered field in the spatial domain.



$$\bar{E}(P) = \bar{E}^i(P) + \bar{E}^s(P)$$

$$\bar{E}^s(P) = \int_S \bar{\Gamma}_{ee}(P|Q') \cdot \bar{J}_s(Q') dS'$$

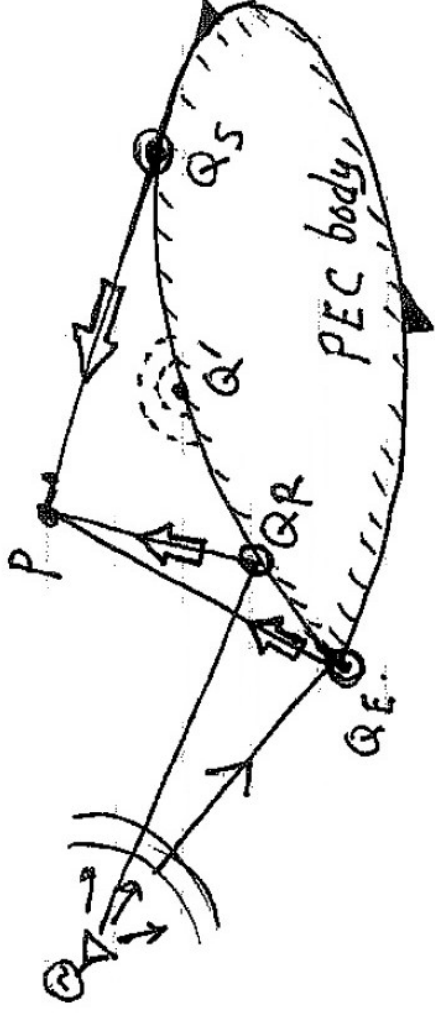
$$\bar{\Gamma}_{ee}(\bar{r}|\bar{r}') = -j\omega\mu \left( \bar{I} + \frac{\nabla\nabla}{k^2} \right) \frac{e^{-jkR}}{R}, \quad \left( R = |\bar{r} - \bar{r}'| \right)$$

$$\bar{E}^s(P) \square \underbrace{\bar{E}^r(P)}_{\text{from } Q'=Q_R} + \underbrace{\bar{E}^d(P)}_{\text{from } Q'=Q_E} + \underbrace{\bar{E}^{sd}(P)}_{\text{from } Q'=Q_S}$$

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$Q_E$ ,  $Q_R$  and  $Q_S$  are critical points corresp. to end, stationary and confluence of two stationary points, respectively of the integrand. For other values of  $Q'$  the integral is negligible due to destructive interference in the asymptotic HF regime.

b) Radiation integral for the scattered field in the spectral domain.



$$\bar{E}^s(P) = \int dk_x \int dk_y \bar{f}(k_x, k_y) \cdot e^{-j\bar{k} \cdot \bar{r}}$$

$$\bar{f} = \int_s (-j\omega\mu C) \bar{J}_s(Q') e^{j\bar{k} \cdot \bar{r}'} dS'$$

$$\bar{E}^s(P) \square \bar{E}^r(P) + \bar{E}^d(P) + \bar{E}^{sd}(P)$$

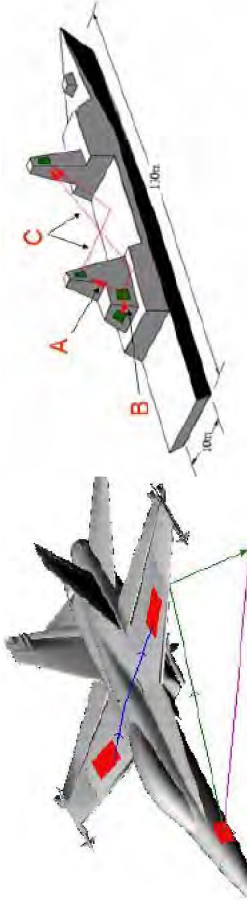
$Q_E$ ,  $Q_R$  and  $Q_S$  transform into critical within the spectrum as poles, saddle points, branch points, etc. Only those plane waves reaching  $P$  from the nbhd of  $Q_E$ ,  $Q_R$  and  $Q_S$  contribute significantly; all others interfere destructively.

$$\bar{k} = k_x \hat{x} + k_y \hat{y} + k_z \hat{z}$$

$$k_z = \sqrt{k^2 - k_x^2 - k_y^2} = -j \sqrt{k_x^2 + k_y^2 - k^2}; z > z' \text{ assumed}$$

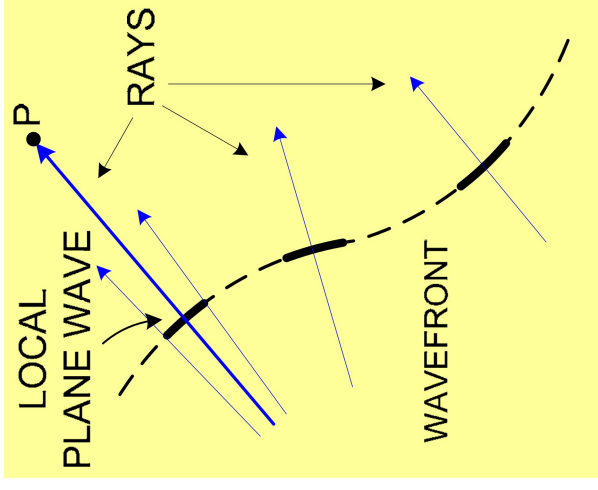
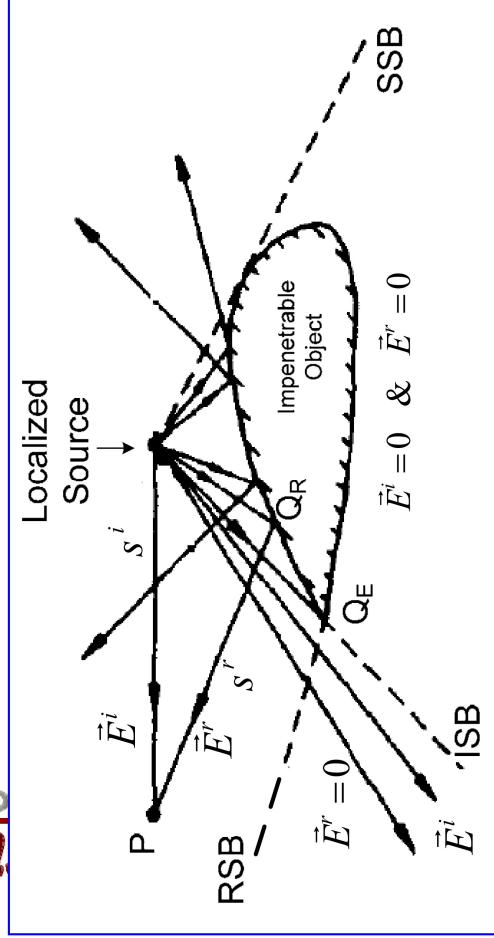
# RAY METHODS & SOME APPLICATIONS

- Unlike most other computational electromagnetic (CEM) techniques, asymptotic high frequency (HF) ray methods offer a **simple picture** for describing EM antenna/scattering phenomena.



Examples of EM antenna radiation and coupling problems of interest and some typical UTD rays.

- Rays → wave effects are highly **LOCALIZED** at HF.
- Primary focus here will be on the uniform geometrical theory of diffraction (UTD) type ray solutions.
- The need for UTD arises because classical geometrical optics (GO) ray method **fails** to predict diffraction !



\*  $f(s^r)$  depends only on surface and wavefront geometry at & near  $Q_R$

$$\bar{E}^i(P) \sim C_0 \bar{P} \frac{e^{-jks^i}}{s_i^i} U_i$$

$$\bar{E}^r(P) \sim \bar{E}^i(Q_R) \cdot \bar{R}(Q_R) f(s^r) e^{-jks^r} U_r$$

$$U_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{Lit side of ISB} \\ 0, & \text{Shadow side of ISB} \end{cases}$$

$$U_r = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{Lit side of RSB} \\ 0, & \text{Shadow side of RSB} \end{cases}$$

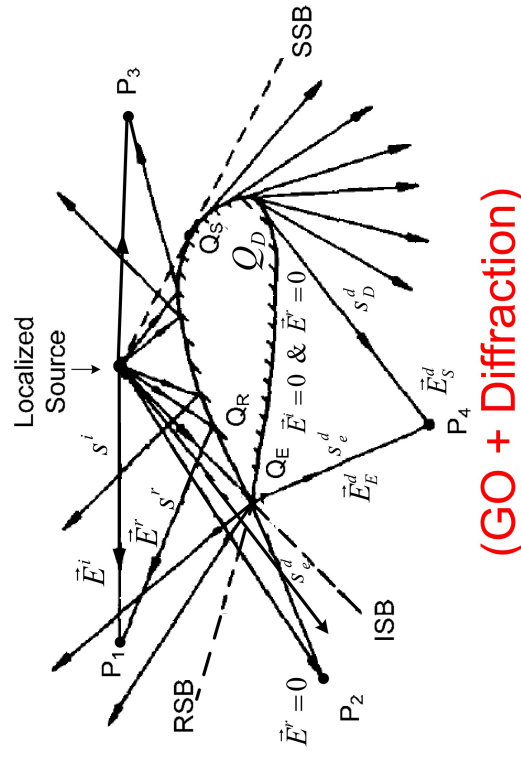
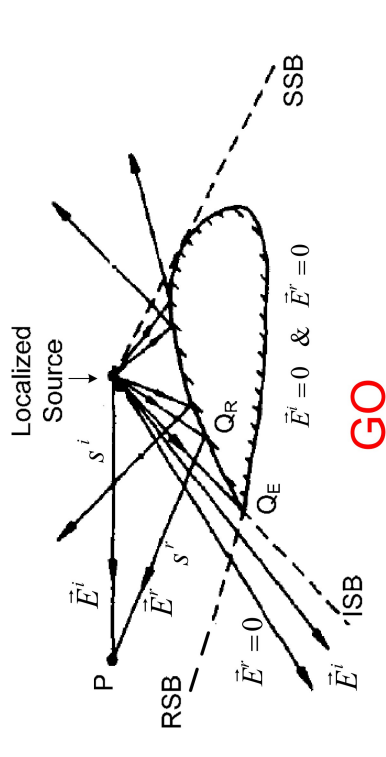
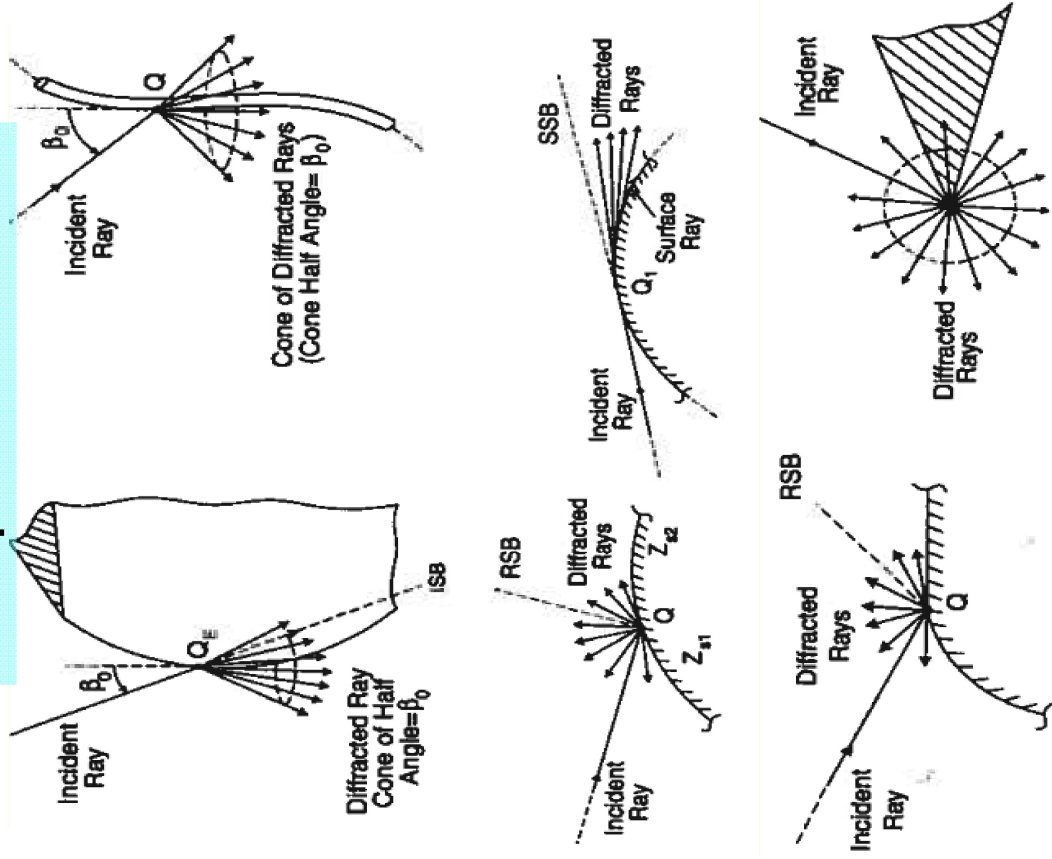


# RAY METHODS & SOME APPLICATIONS (cont.)

- Keller and coworkers (1958; 1962) introduced a **new** class of rays, i.e. diffracted rays, to describe diffraction in his geometrical theory of diffraction (GTD).
- Diffracted rays exist in addition to geometrical optics (GO) rays.
- Diffracted rays are produced at structural and material discontinuities, as well as at grazing incidence on a smooth convex surface.



## Examples of diffraction



$$\vec{E}_e^d(P_2, P_4) \sim \vec{E}^i(Q_E) \cdot \overline{\overline{D}}_E f(s_e^d) e^{-jks_e^d}$$

$$\vec{E}_s^d(P_4) \sim \vec{E}^i(Q_S) \cdot \overline{\overline{T}}(Q_S, Q_D) f(s_S^d) e^{-jks_D^d}$$

# RAY METHODS & SOME APPLICATIONS (cont.)

- To find  $\bar{\bar{D}}$  and  $\bar{\bar{T}}$ , etc, in diffraction problems, one may:

(a) Solve appropriate, simpler canonical problems which model the LOCAL geometrical and electrical properties of the original surface in the neighborhood of diffraction points.

(b) An exact (or sometimes approximate) solution to a canonical problem is first expressed as an integral containing an exponent  $\kappa D$

$$\kappa = \text{wave number} = 2\pi/\lambda$$

$D$  = characteristic dimension

(c) Canonical integral is then evaluated asymptotically, generally in closed form, as parameter  $\kappa D$  becomes large (i.e. at HF).

(d)  $\bar{\bar{D}}$  and  $\bar{\bar{T}}$  are then typically found from (c) by inspection.

(e) Canonical  $\bar{\bar{D}}$  and  $\bar{\bar{T}}$  generalized to arbitrary shapes by invoking principle of locality of HF waves.

• Keller's original GTD is not valid at and near ISB, RSB, SSB (i.e. in SB transition regions).

• UTD developed to patch Keller's original theory within the SB transition regions.

• GTD corrects GO, and GTD = GO + diffraction

• UTD corrects GTD, but usually UTD  $\rightarrow$  GTD outside SB transition regions.



# RAY METHODS & SOME APPLICATIONS (cont.)

- **Additional Comments :**

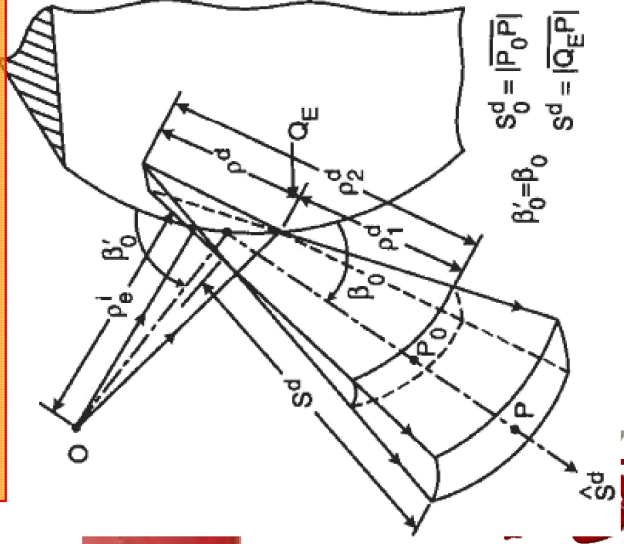
- Ufimtsev's Physical Theory of Diffraction (PTD) (1950s) corrects Physical Optics (PO). PO contains incomplete diffraction.
- PTD generally requires numerical integration on the radiating/scattering objects, hence, loses efficiency as frequency increases.
- PTD does not describe creeping/surface wave diffraction on smooth convex objects; hence, does not accurately predict patterns in shadow zone of antennas on such complex objects.
- Conventional numerical CEM methods become rapidly inefficient with increase in frequency.
- In contrast, UTD ray paths remain independent of frequency.
- UTD offers an analytical (generally closed form) solution to many complex problems that can not otherwise be solved in an analytical fashion.



# RAY METHODS & SOME APPLICATIONS (cont.)

• In many practical applications of UTD, the following diffraction ray mechanisms dominate

## (a) PEC Wedge Diffraction



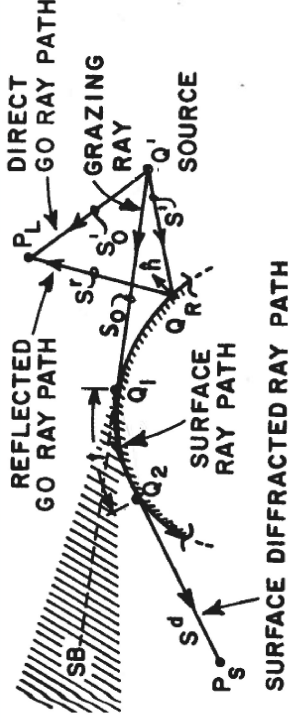
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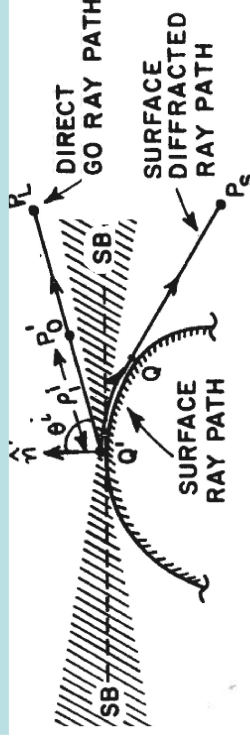
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## (b) PEC Convex Surface Diffraction

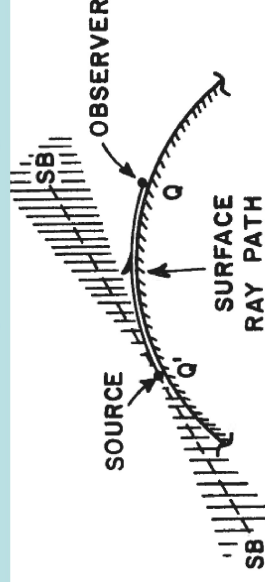


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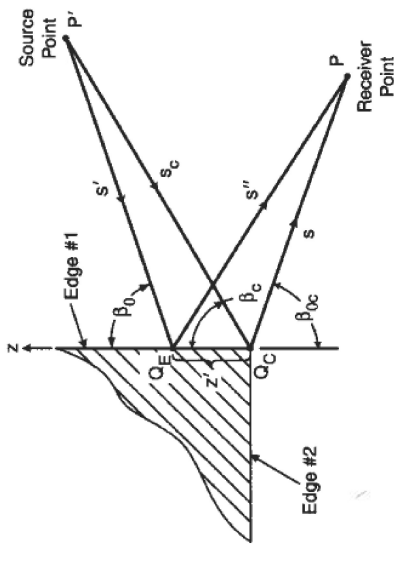
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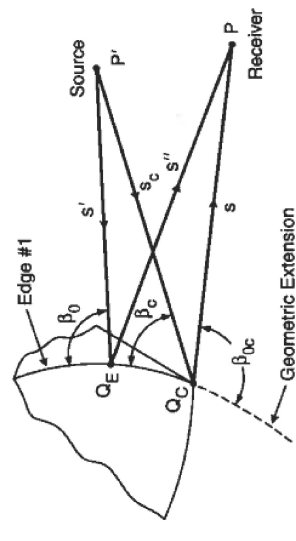
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## (c) PEC Corner Diffraction



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# Some UTD code developments in USA during 1980's – 1990's



The Ohio State Univ. (OSU) ElectroScience Lab. (ESL) UTD based codes:



- (a) OSU-ESL NEWAIR code
- (b) OSU-ESL BSC code

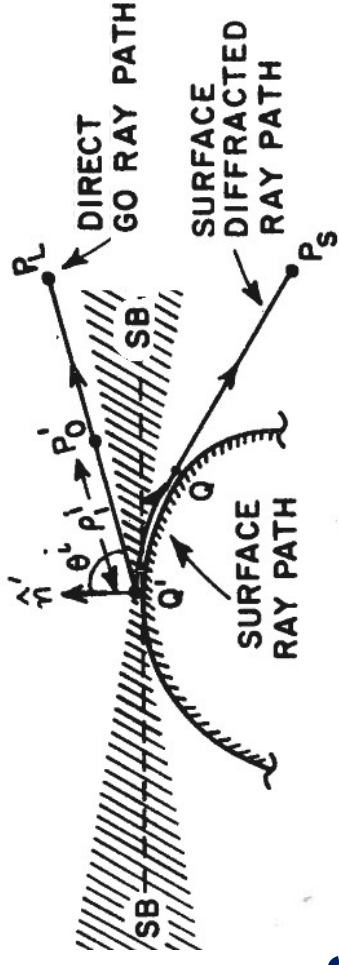
- Complex radiating and scattering objects modeled by simpler shapes consisting of ellipsoids, spheroids, cylinders, cone frustrums, flat plates, etc.



$$\vec{E}(P) = \iint_{S_a} \vec{\Gamma}_m(P|Q') \cdot [\vec{M}_s(Q')] ds'$$

where  $\vec{M}_s(Q') = \vec{E}_a(Q') \times \hat{n}'$  is the equivalent magnetic current in terms of the transmitting electric field  $\vec{E}_a(Q')$  in the slot aperture of area  $S_a$ ; this  $\vec{M}_s$  replaces the aperture  $S_a$  which is now short circuited. Likewise, the radiation from a short thin monopole current  $I(l')$  fed at the base  $Q'$  on a convex surface can be found as

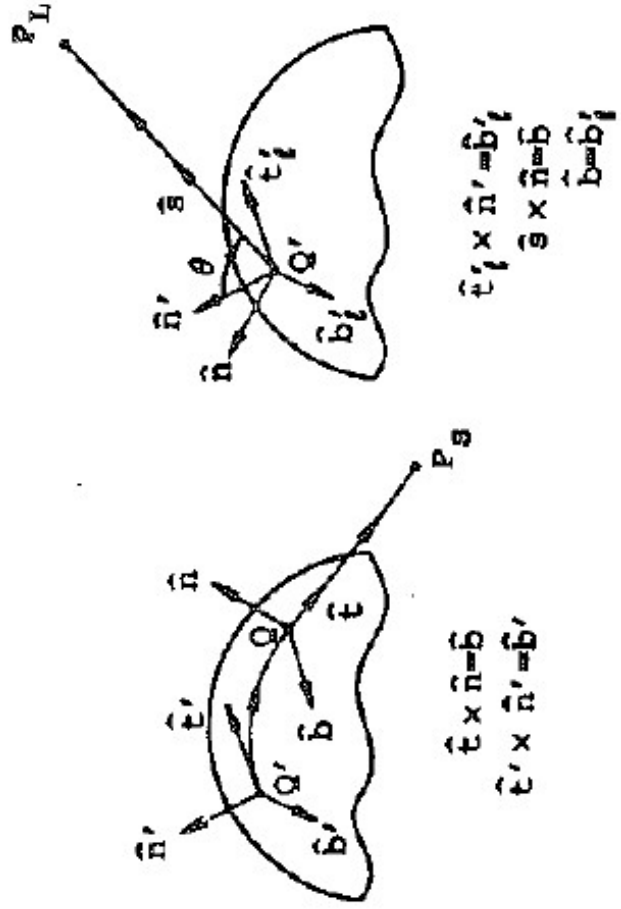
$$\vec{E}(P) \approx \begin{cases} \vec{\Gamma}_i(P|Q') \cdot \hat{n}' \int_0^h I(l') \cdot \cos(kl' \cos \theta) dl', & \text{if } P = P_L \\ \vec{\Gamma}_i(P|Q') \cdot \hat{n}' \int_0^h I(l') dl', & \text{if } P = P_S. \end{cases}$$



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The UTD solution can predict complex surface dependent polarization effects resulting from surface ray torsion (see terms  $T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4, T_5, T_6$ ).





(a)  $\vec{E}(P) = \begin{cases} \bar{\Gamma}_i(P|Q) \cdot \hat{p}, & \text{if } \hat{p} = \hat{i} \\ \bar{\Gamma}_m(P|Q') \cdot \hat{p}, & \text{if } \hat{p} = \hat{m} \end{cases}$

(b)  $\vec{E}(P) = \begin{cases} \hat{e}_i \times \hat{n}' = \hat{b}'_i \\ \hat{e} \times \hat{n} = \hat{b} \end{cases}$

The  $\bar{\Gamma}_{i,m}$  is obtained from uniform asymptotic solutions to problems of radiation by  $P$  on conducting cylinders and spheres.

$$\bar{\Gamma}_m \sim \begin{cases} (-jk/4\pi) (\hat{b}'_i \hat{n} A + \hat{e}'_i \hat{b} B + \hat{b}'_i \hat{b} C + \hat{e}'_i \hat{n} D) (e^{-jks}/s), & \text{for } P = P_L \\ (-jk/4\pi) (\hat{b}' \hat{n} T_1 H + \hat{e}' \hat{b} T_2 S + \hat{b}' \hat{b} T_3 S + \hat{e}' \hat{n} T_4 H) \cdot e^{-jkt} \sqrt{(d\psi_o/d\eta(Q))} [\rho_g(Q)/\rho_g(Q')]^{1/6} \cdot \sqrt{\rho^d/(s^d(\rho^d + s^d))} \exp(-jks^d), & \text{for } P = P_S \end{cases}$$

and

$$\bar{\Gamma}_i \sim \begin{cases} (-jkZ_o/4\pi) (\hat{n}' \hat{n} M + \hat{n}' \hat{b} N) (e^{-jks}/s), & \text{for } P = P_L \\ (-jkZ_o/4\pi) (\hat{n}' \hat{n} T_5 H + \hat{n}' \hat{b} T_6 S) \cdot e^{-jkt} \sqrt{(d\psi_o/d\eta(Q))} [\rho_g(Q)/\rho_g(Q')]^{1/6} \cdot \sqrt{\rho^d/(s^d(\rho^d + s^d))} \exp(-jks^d), & \text{for } P = P_S. \end{cases}$$

UTD Transition functions in A, B, C, D, H, S, n and N are the radiation Fock fens.

$$g(\delta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau e^{-j\delta\tau} [W'_2(\tau)]^{-1}$$

$$\tilde{g}(\delta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau e^{-j\delta\tau} [W_2(\tau)]^{-1}.$$

$\delta > 0$  at  $P_S$   
 $\delta < 0$  at  $P_L$



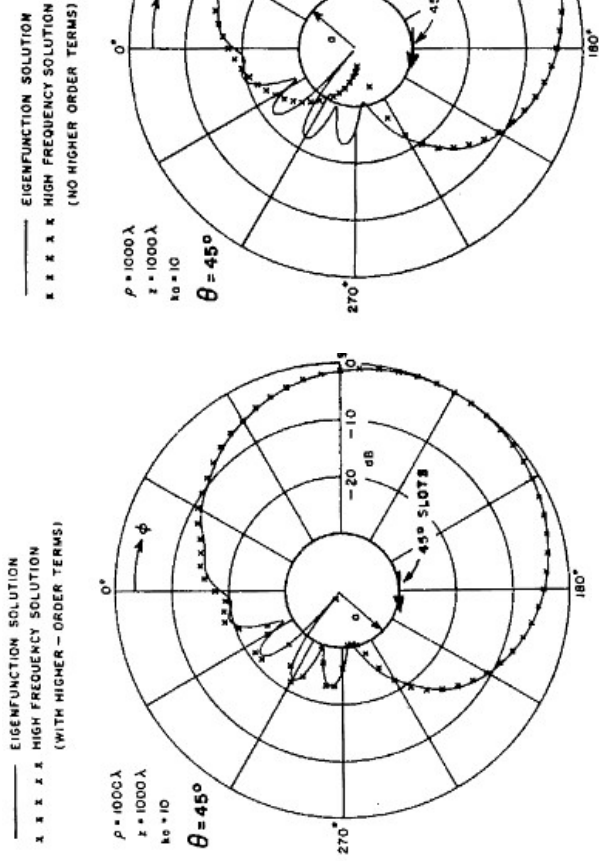


Fig. 8.  $|E_{\phi}|$  radiation pattern of a  $45^\circ$  (tilted) slot in a circular cylinder.

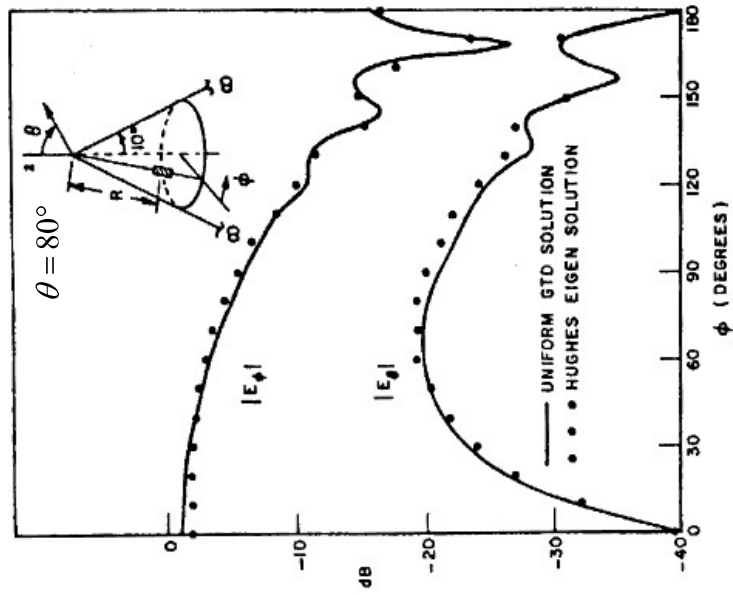


Fig. 10. Radiation patterns of a radial slot in a cone.

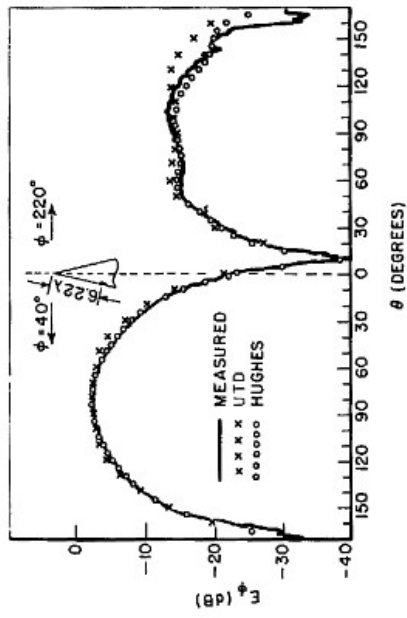


Fig. 9.  $|E_{\phi}|$  radiation pattern of a radial slot in a cone (see cone geometry in Fig. 10).

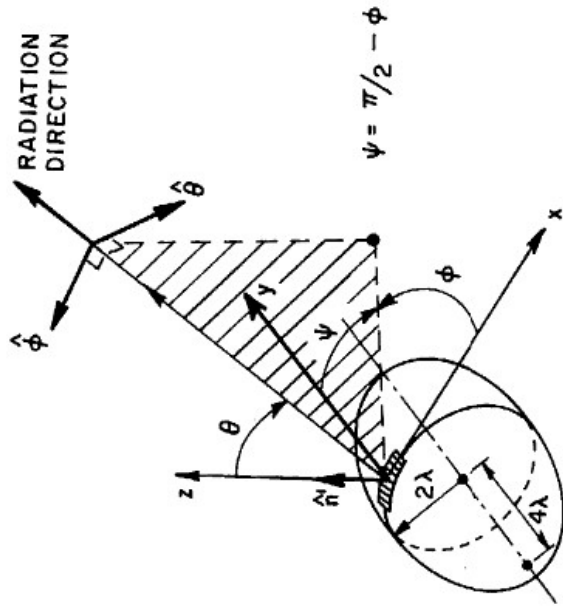


Fig. 11. Prolate spheroidal geometry.

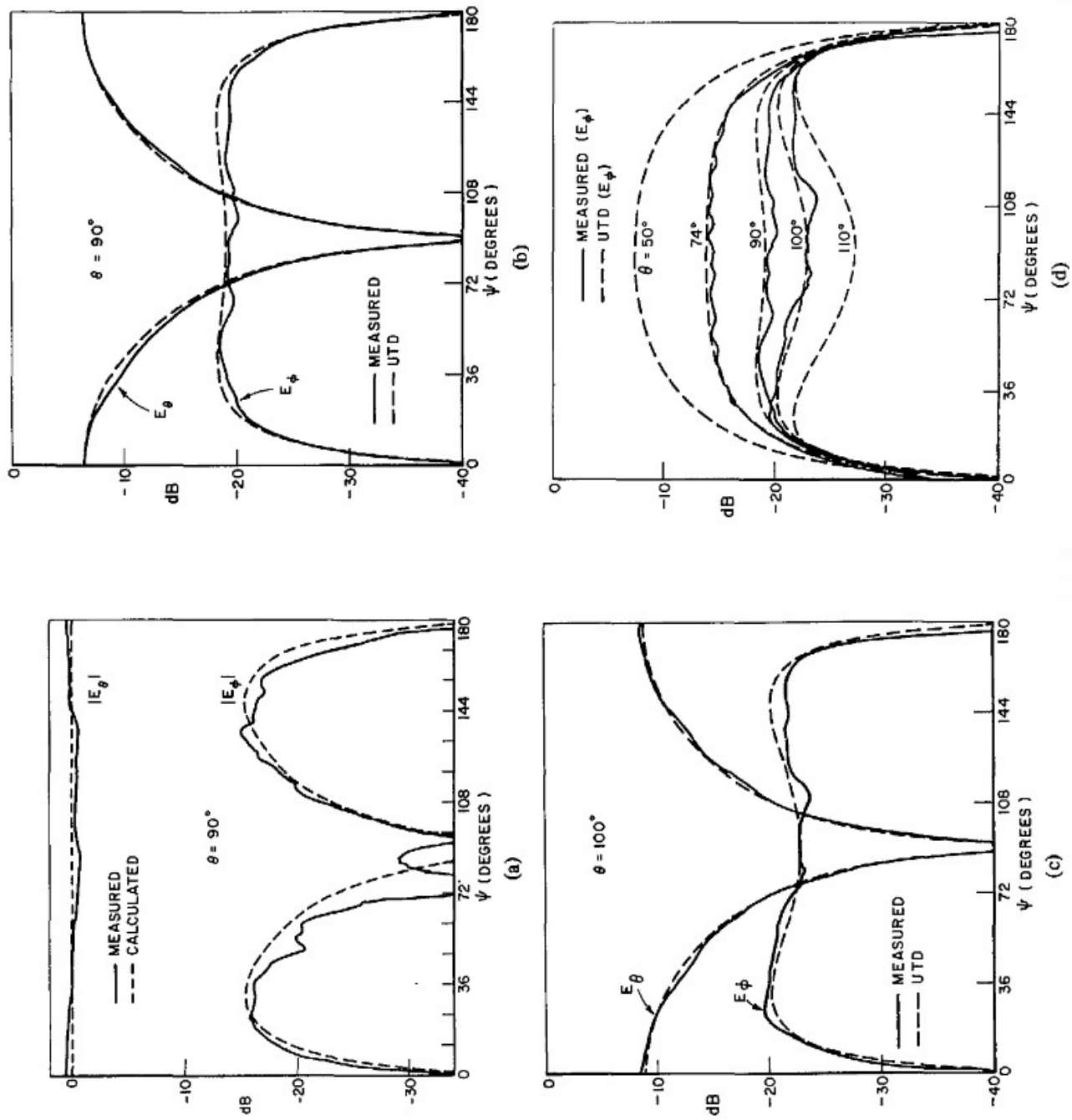
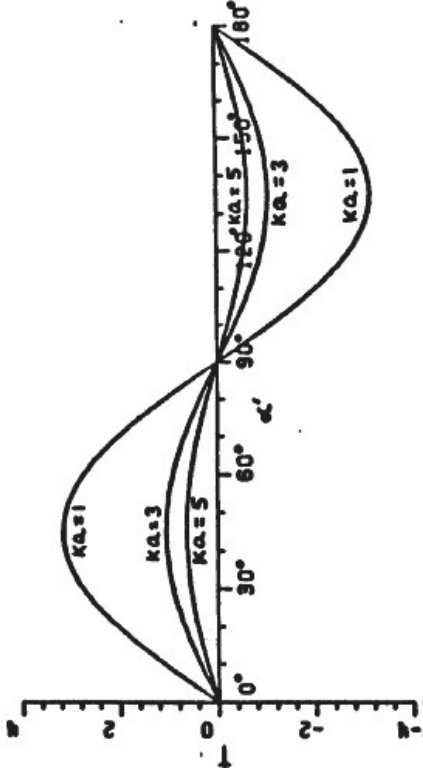
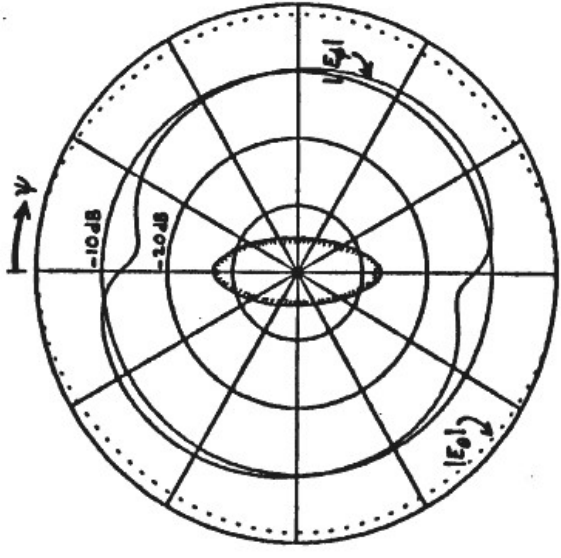


Fig. 12. Radiation patterns of antennas on a prolate spheroid. (a) Pertains to the pattern of a  $\hat{n}'$  directed monopole antenna (at the source location in Fig. 11) (b), (c), and (d) Pertains to the patterns of an  $\hat{x}$ -directed rectangular slot (at the source location in Fig. 11) on a spheroid.

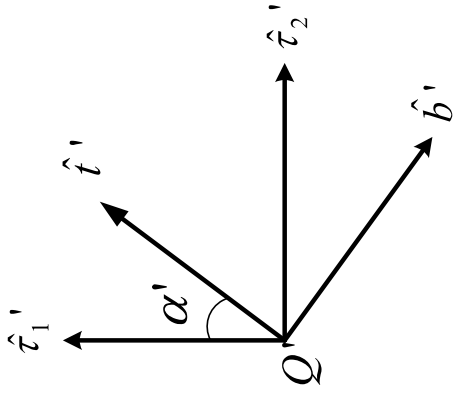




$T(Q')$  as a function of  $\alpha'$  for a circular cylinder



Radiation patterns of a Lindberg crossed slot antenna (phased  $90^\circ$  apart) on a prolate spheroid.  $\theta = 75^\circ$

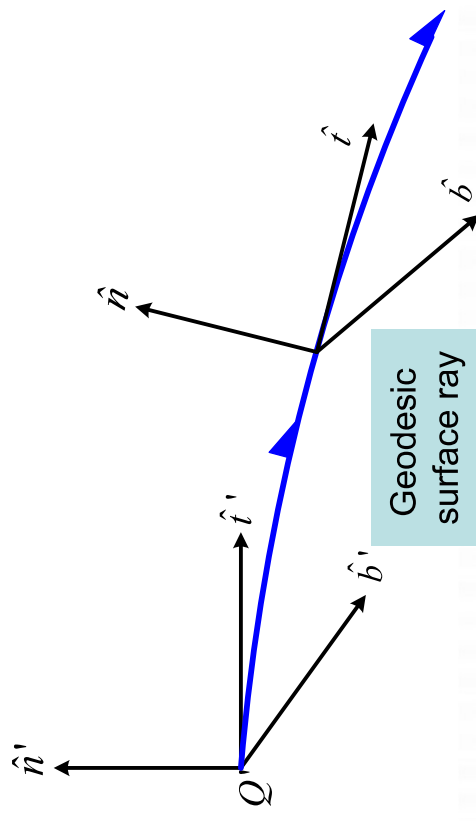


$\hat{t}_1'$  and  $\hat{t}_2'$  denote principal surface directions at  $Q'$ .

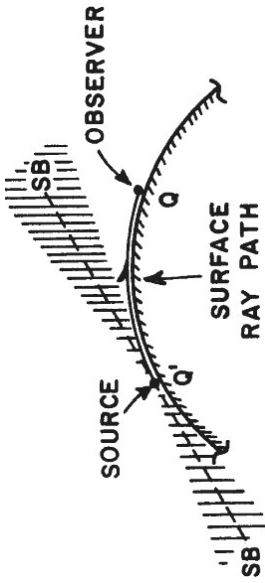
$R_1$  and  $R_2$  are principal radii of curvature.

$$T_o(Q') = T(Q') \rho_g(Q'); \quad T = \text{Torsion}$$

$$T(Q') = \frac{\sin 2\alpha'}{2} \left( \frac{1}{R_2} - \frac{1}{R_1} \right); \quad R_2 \leq R_1 \text{ at } Q'$$



Geodesic surface ray



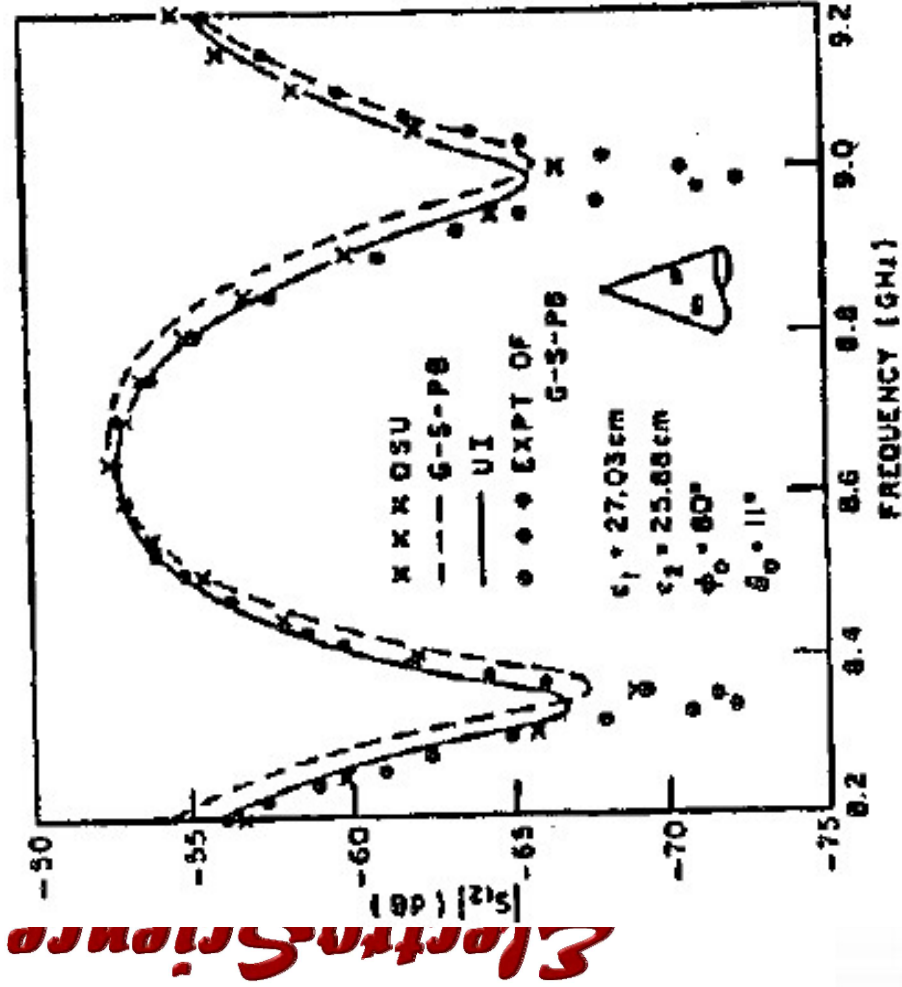
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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{E}(Q) \\ \bar{H}(Q) \end{array} \right\} \sim \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{\Gamma}_{ee}(Q|Q') \\ \bar{\Gamma}_{he}(Q|Q') \end{array} \right\} \cdot \hat{n}' \int_0^h I(l') dl', \quad \text{for a monopole}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{E}(Q) \\ \bar{H}(Q) \end{array} \right\} \sim \iint_{S_a} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{\Gamma}_{eh}(Q|Q') \\ \bar{\Gamma}_{hh}(Q|Q') \end{array} \right\} \cdot [\bar{E}_a(Q') \times \hat{n}'] ds', \quad \text{for a slot antenna}$$

$\bar{\Gamma}_{ee}, \bar{\Gamma}_{he}, \bar{\Gamma}_{eh}$  and  $\bar{\Gamma}_{hh}$  contain the UTD transition functions corresponding to surface Fock fcn's.



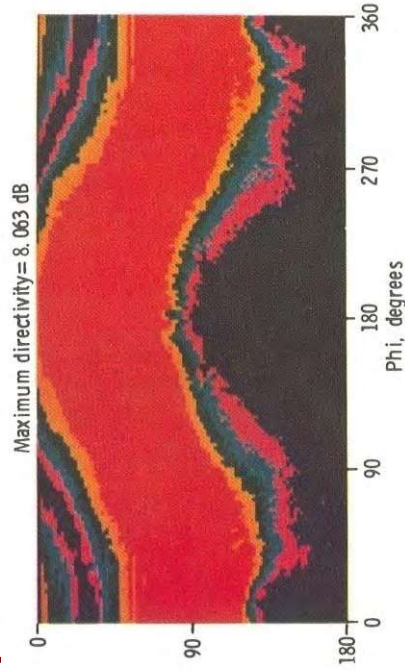
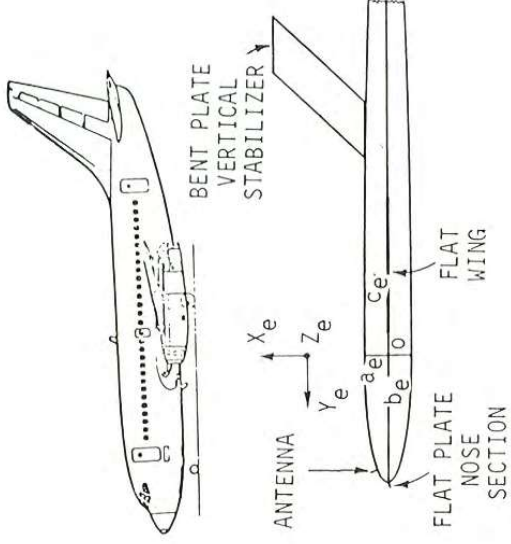
$$\tilde{U}(\xi) = \left[ \frac{kt}{2m(Q')m(Q)\xi} \right]^{3/2} \cdot \int_{-\infty - j(2\pi/3)}^{\infty} d\tau e^{-j\xi\tau} \frac{W_2'(\tau)}{W_2(\tau)}$$

$$\tilde{V}(\xi) = \left[ \frac{kt}{2m(Q')m(Q)\xi} \right]^{1/2} \cdot \frac{\xi^{1/2} e^{j\pi/4}}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty - j(2\pi/3)}^{\infty} d\tau e^{-j\xi\tau} \frac{W_2(\tau)}{W_2'(\tau)}$$

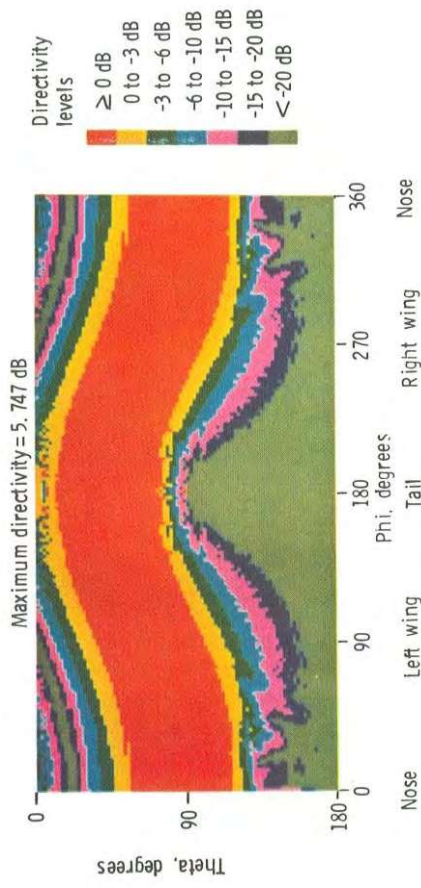


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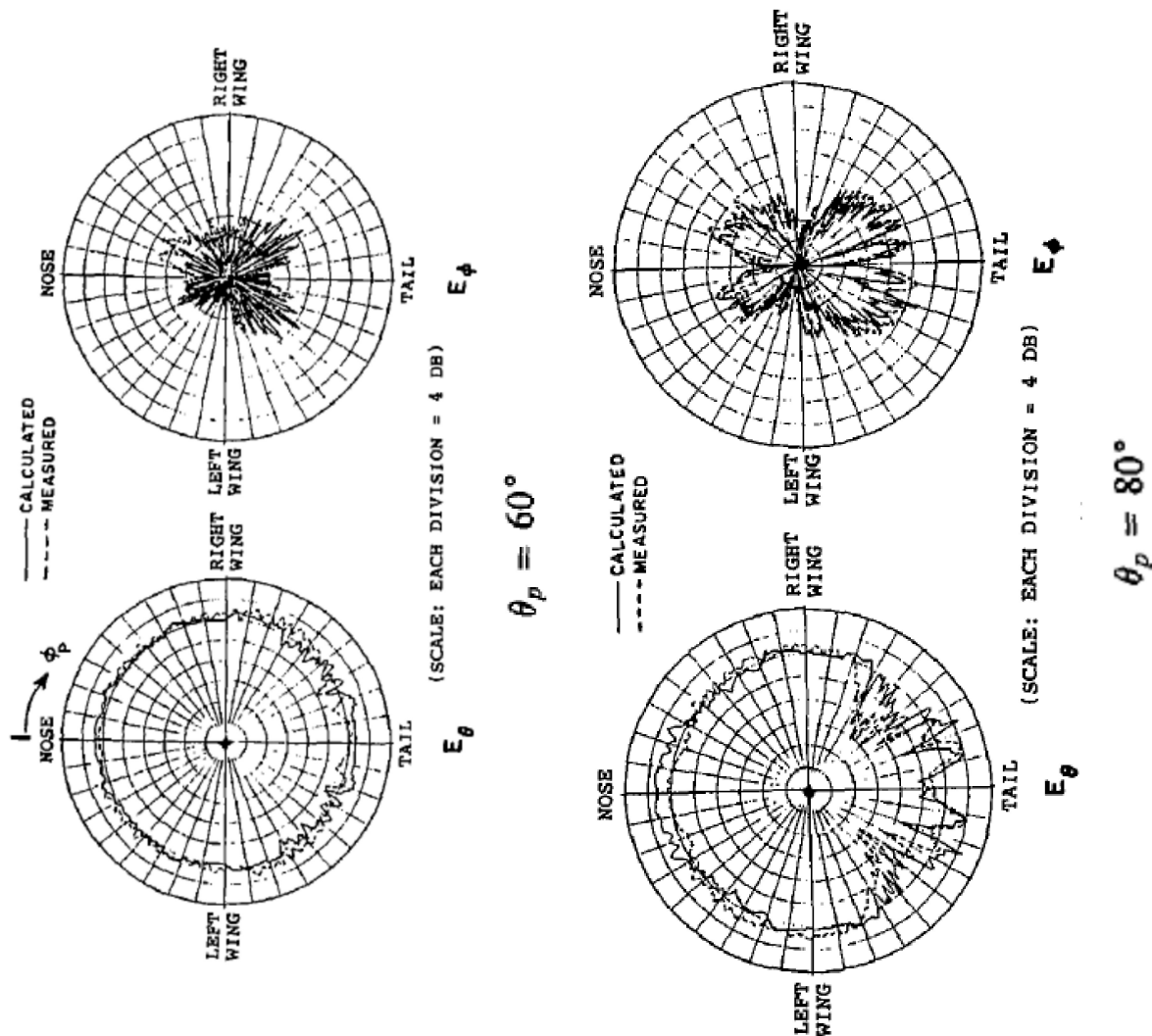
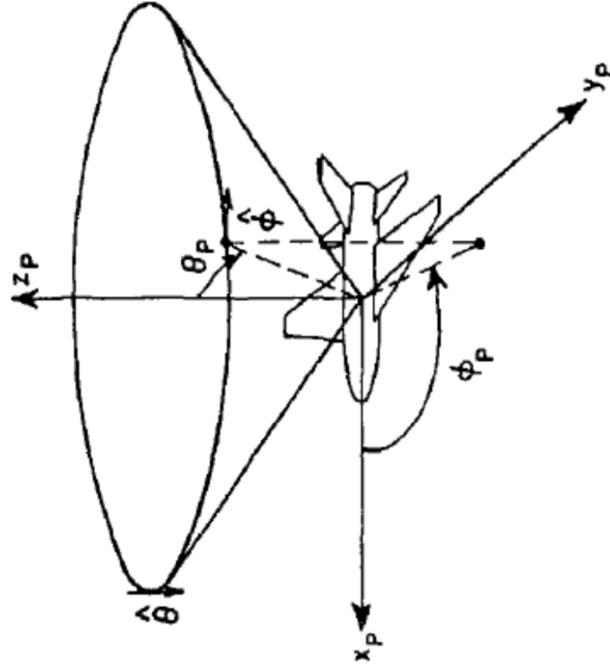
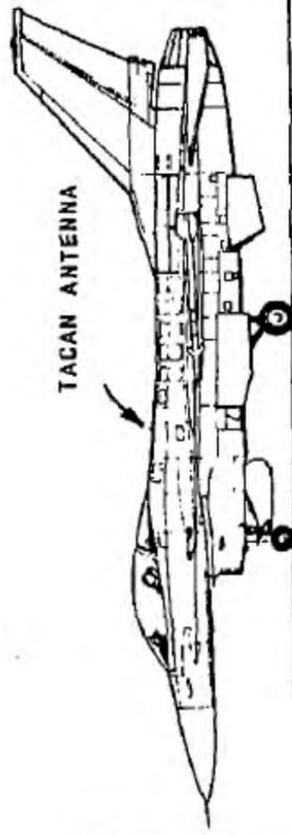
Modeling of Boeing 737 aircraft



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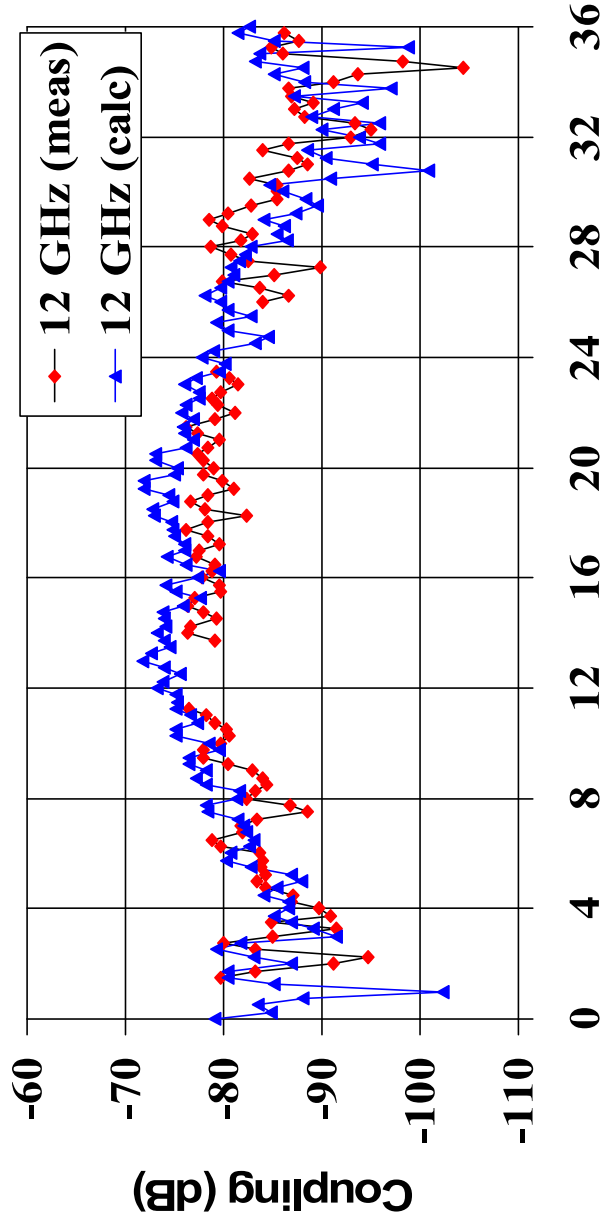
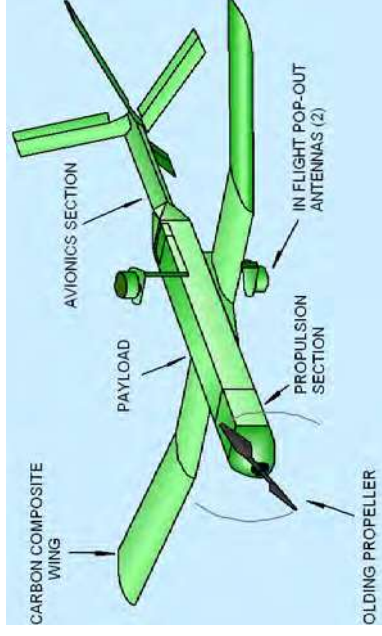


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## Comparison of Measured (NRL) and Calculated (NEC-BSC) Antenna Isolation with Receiver Moving above Center of Fuselage

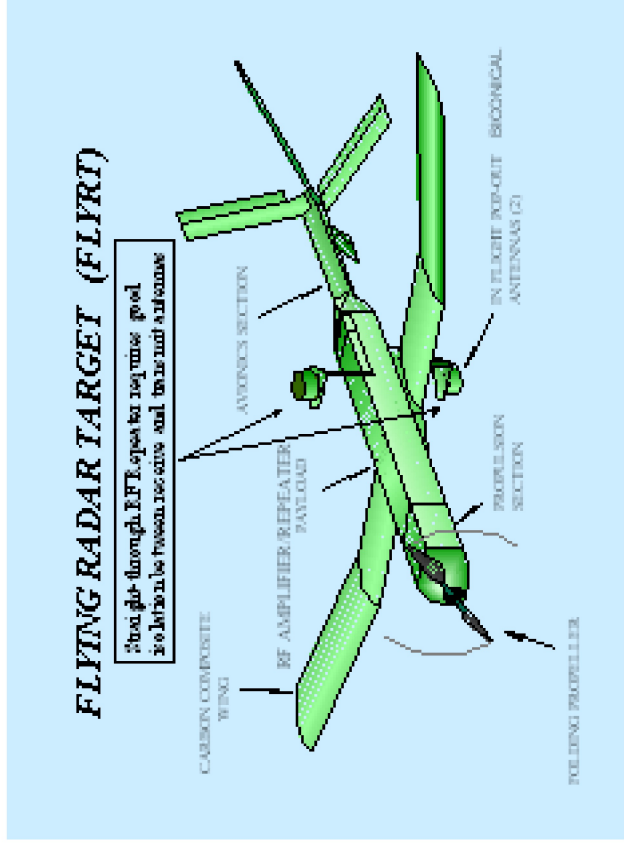
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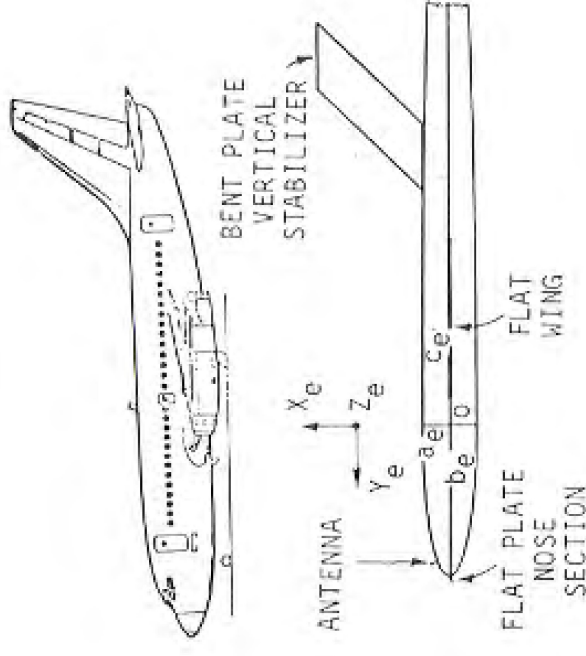
Receive Antenna Distance from Nose (in.)

# Limitations of Existing UTD Codes

- Existing UTD codes such as NEC-BSC and NEW-AIR have proven to be successful over the past two decades.
- However, these codes are based on the approximation of the electrically large airborne platform in terms of canonical shapes, which is a complicated task.
- Moreover, a canonical shape representation may lead to inaccuracies.
- Very limited capability to analyze material coatings



Canonical representation for NEC-BSC



Canonical representation for NEW-AIR



# New UTD code development

- Radiating object modeled with better fidelity via facets based on CAD geometry data.
- UTD rays tracked in presence of facets. UTD ray parameters obtained by mapping facets back to the original geometry (via bi-quadratic surfaces or splines, etc).
- Does not require an expert user.
- Will eventually incorporate thin material coating on metallic (or PEC) platform.

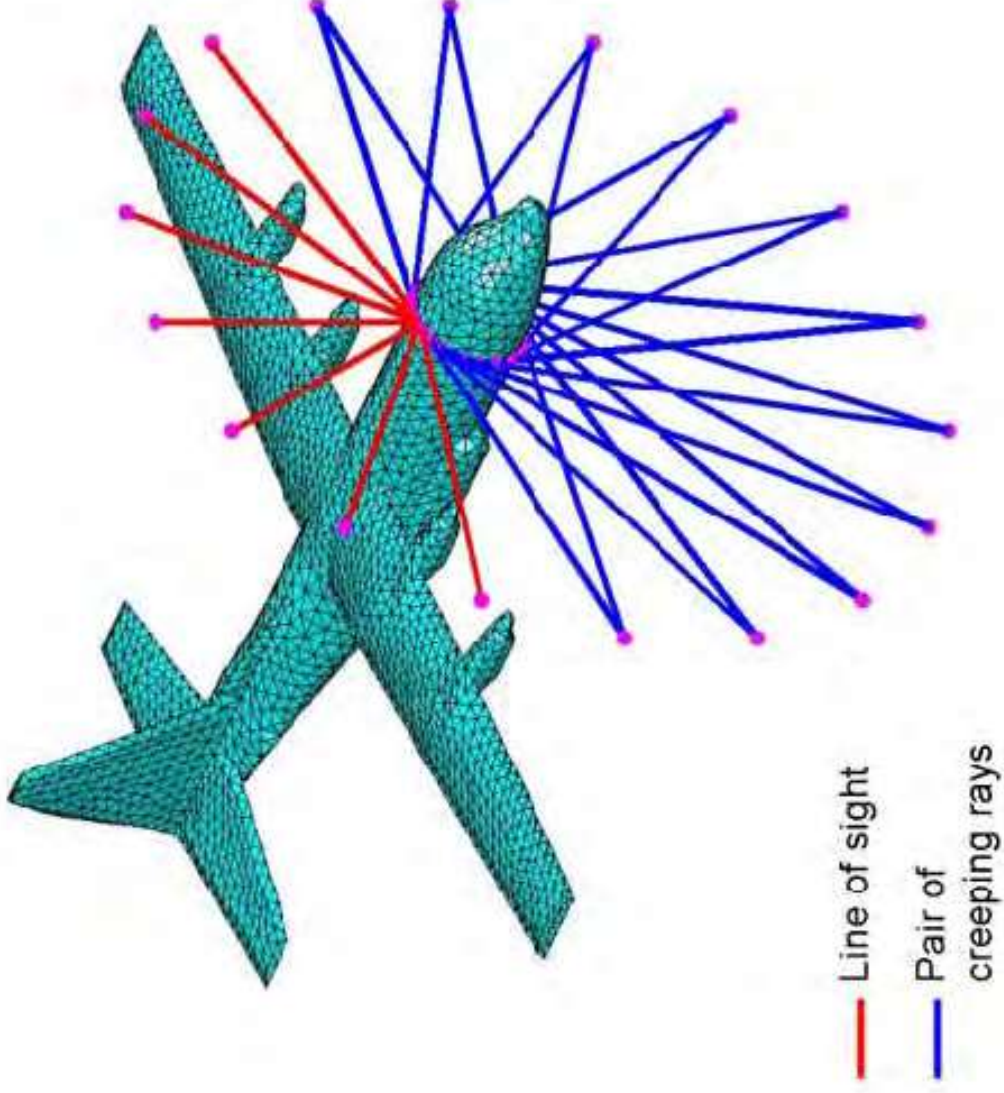


# New code (Applied EM)

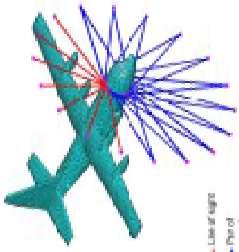
Quarter wavelength monopole on a KC-130 at 500 MHz  
( $18.3\lambda_0$  height,  $69.2\lambda_0$  wingspan,  $49.7\lambda_0$  length at 500 MHz).



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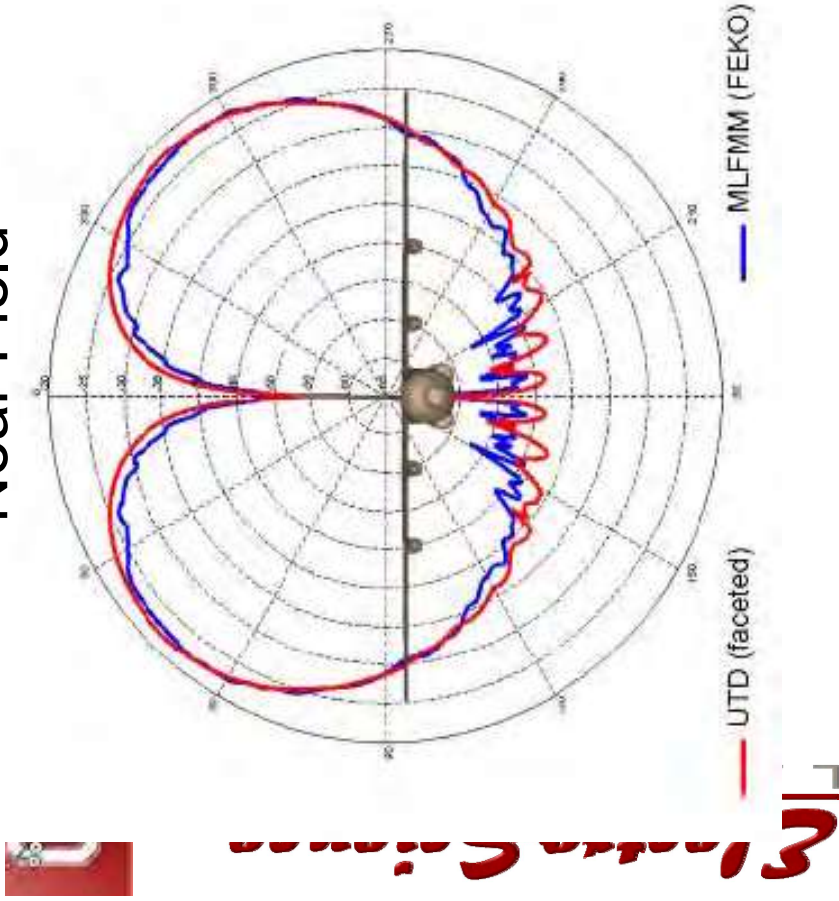


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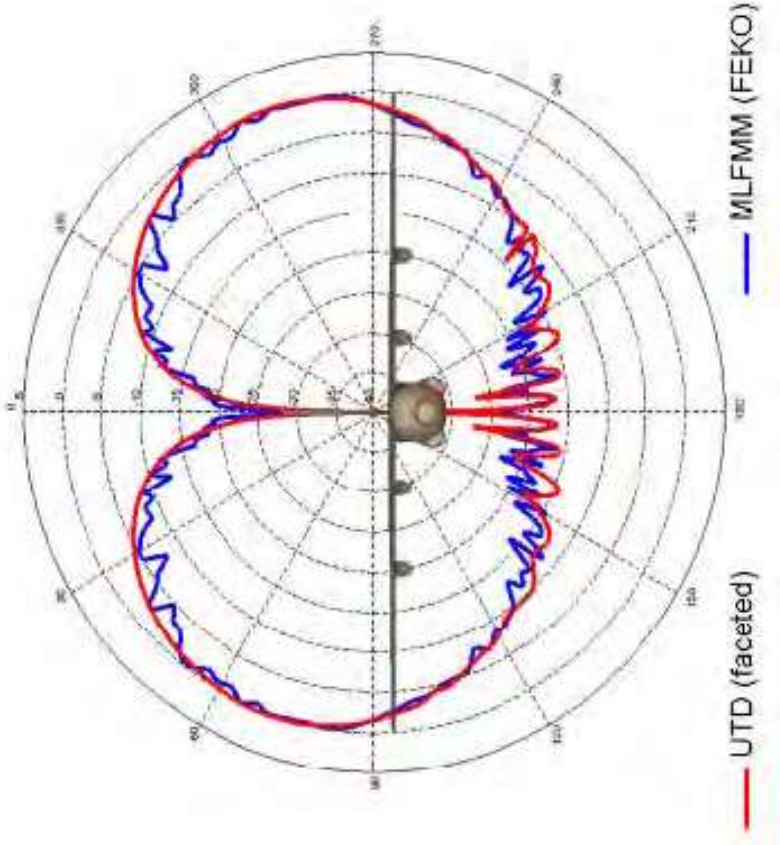


Quarter wavelength monopole on a KC-130 at 500 MHz  
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Near Field



Far Field



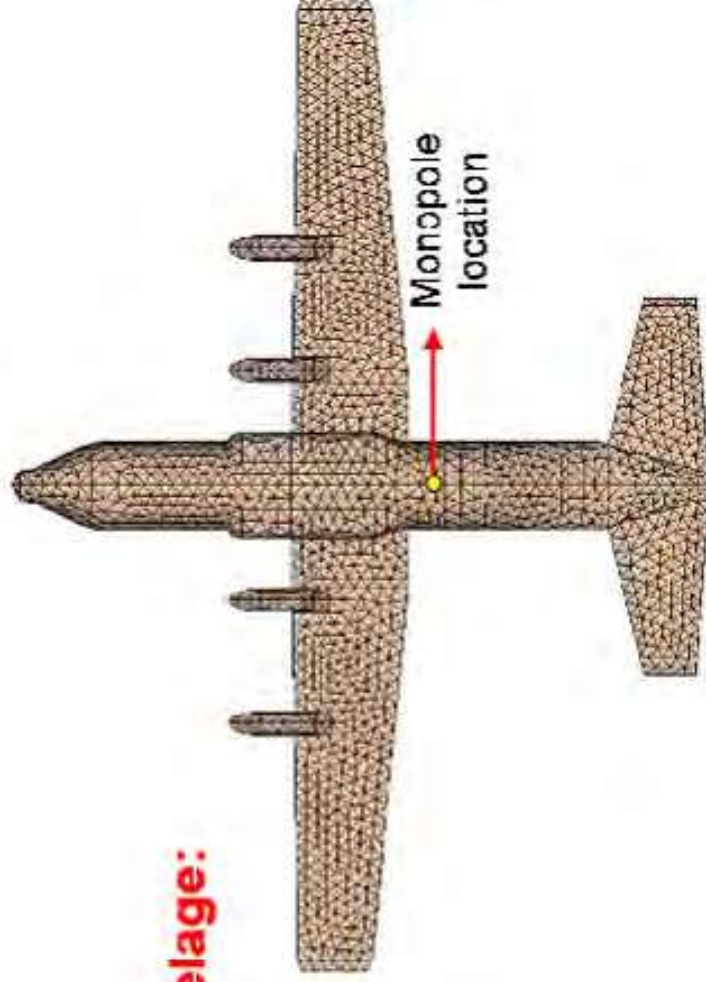
Mesh Geometry	Frequency (GHz)	# of facets for UTD	CPU time for UTD	# of facets for MLFMM	CPU time for MLFMM
KC-135	0.500	6,496	3.57 sec	420,466	1 h 28 min

## Monopole under a C-130 Aircraft

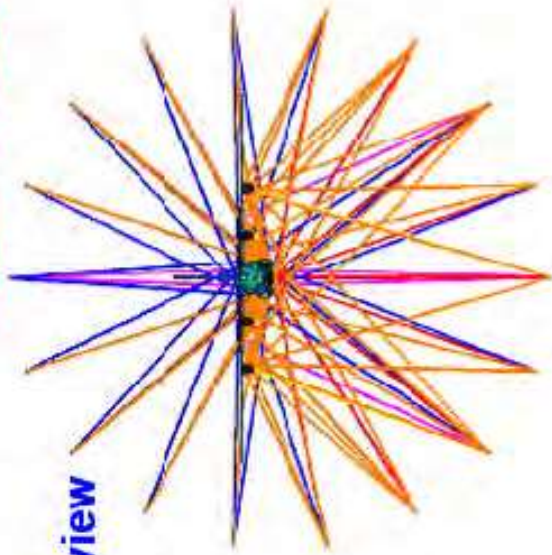


### Monopole under the fuselage:

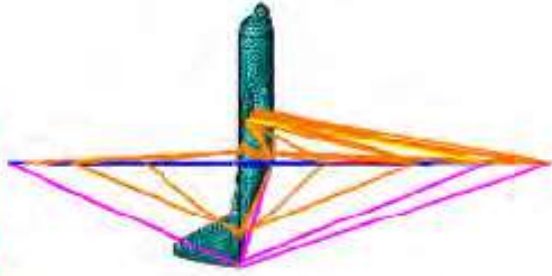
- Frequency: 500 MHz.
- Monopole size:  $\lambda_0/4$ .
- Height:  $18.3\lambda_0$ .
- Wingspan:  $69.2\lambda_0$ .
- Length:  $49.7\lambda_0$ .



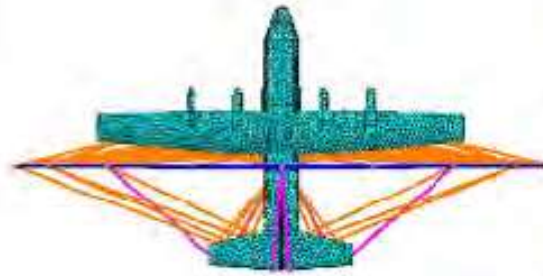
# Near Field Ray Interactions



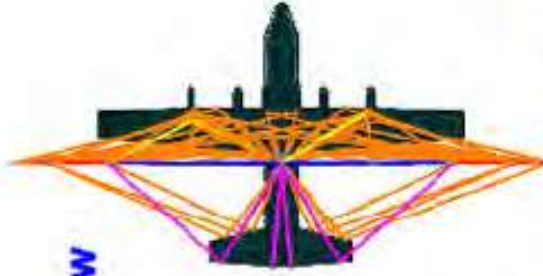
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Side view



Top view



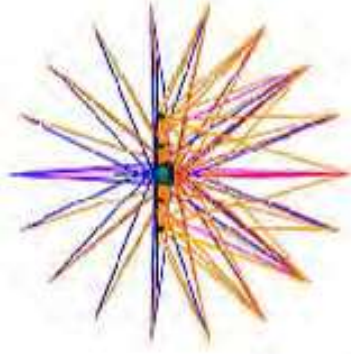
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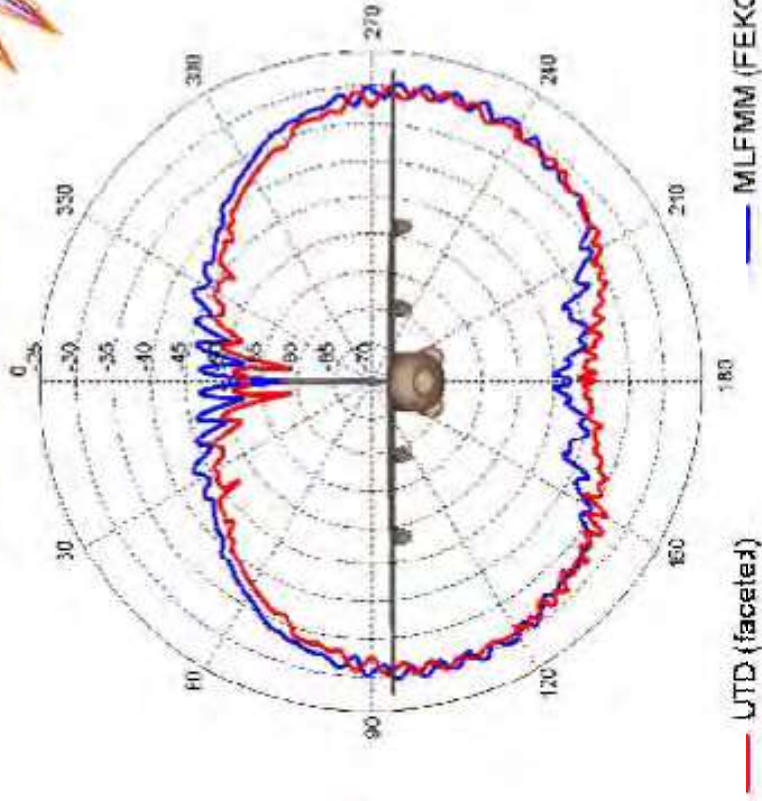
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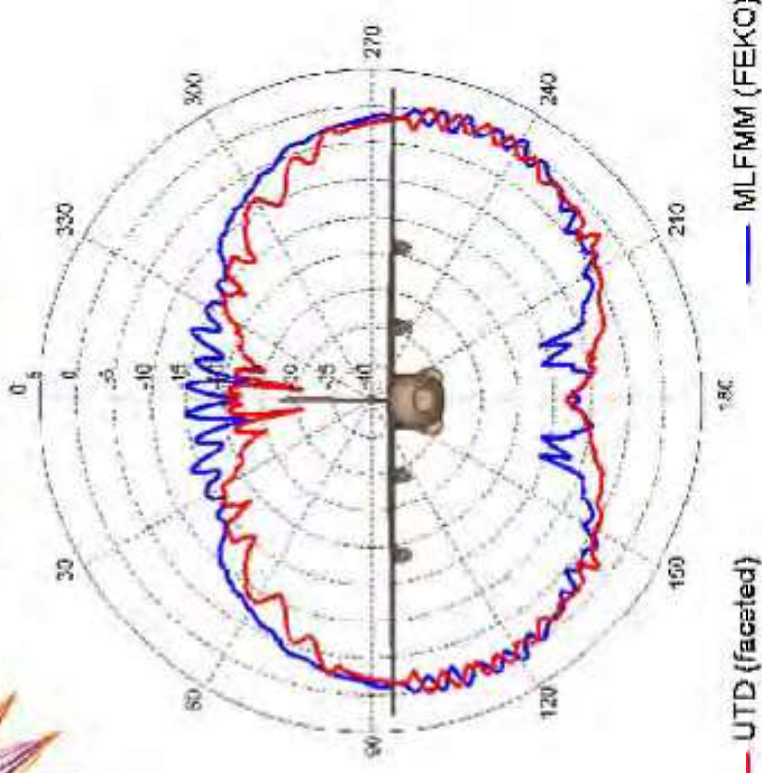
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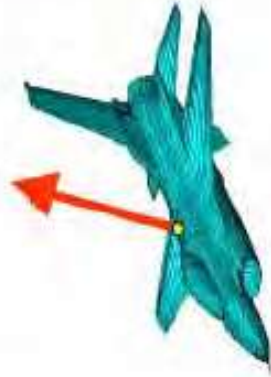
Near field results



Far field results



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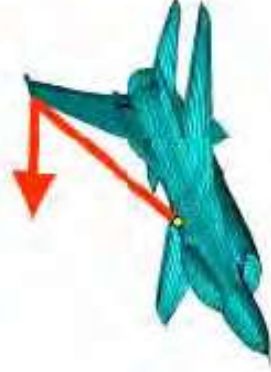
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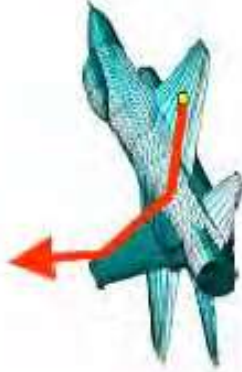
3) edge diffracted



4) corner diffracted



5) surface diffracted



6) reflected+diffracted



7) diffracted+reflected



8) doubly diffracted



9. surf. dif+reflected



10. surf dif+edge dif



11. surf dif+corner dif



12. edge-surf dif

# New UTD analytical development

- UTD + slope for PEC planar faced wedges with thin material coating in form useful and accurate for engineering applications.



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- UTD + slope for curved PEC wedges with thin material coating.
- UTD for PEC corners in curved edges and surfaces with thin material coating.
- UTD for PEC edge excited surface (or creeping) rays (and its reciprocal problem) in a form useful for engineering applications.



# Previous Work on Thin Material Coated Metallic Wedge Structures

- Material coatings are generally replaced by approximate boundary conditions (e.g. Impedance Boundary Condition [IBC])
- Solutions to canonical problems with “approx.” boundary conditions formulated exactly via Wiener-Hopf (W-H) or Maliuzhinets (MZ) methods for surfaces made up of planar structures. Ray solutions extracted analytically from them via asymptotic procedures.
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- **MZ method:**
  - G. D. Maliuzhinets, “Excitation, Reflection and Emission of Surface Waves from a Wedge with Given Face Impedance”, Sov. Phys.-Dokl., 1958.
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  - M. A. Lyalinov and N.Y. Zhu, “Diffraction of a Skew Incident Plane Electromagnetic Wave by an Impedance Wedge”, Wave Motion, 2006.
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  - H. Syed and J. L. Volakis, “Skew incidence diffraction by an impedance wedge with arbitrary face impedances”, Electromagnetics, Vol. 15, No.3, 1995.

# **An Approximate UTD Ray Solution for Skew Incidence Diffraction by Material Coated Wedges of Arbitrary Angle**

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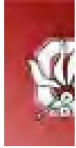
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- **Present solution based on spectral synthesis.**
- **Solution useful and accurate for engineering applications.**

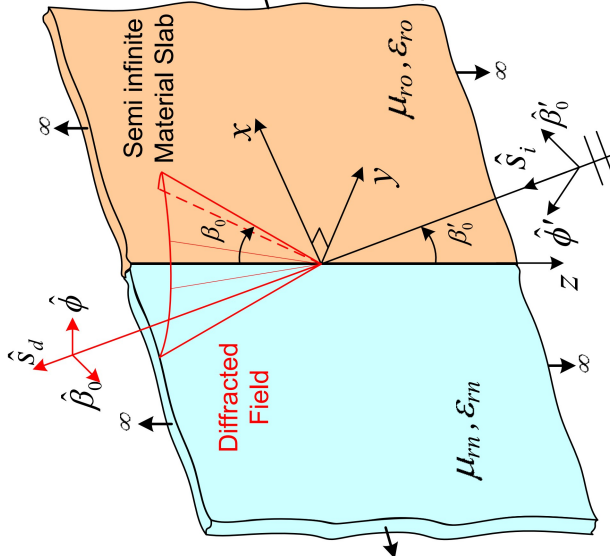
# Numerical Results

## (3-D Junction Planar Material Slabs on a PEC Ground Plane)

- Comparison of UTD-MZ, UTD and MZ at  $r=5\lambda$ ,  $\phi'=45^\circ$ ,  $\beta'_0=65^\circ$ ,  $\tau=\lambda/20$ ,  $\epsilon r_0=2$ ,  $\mu r_0=4$ ,  $\epsilon r_m=5$ , and  $\mu r_m=1$ .



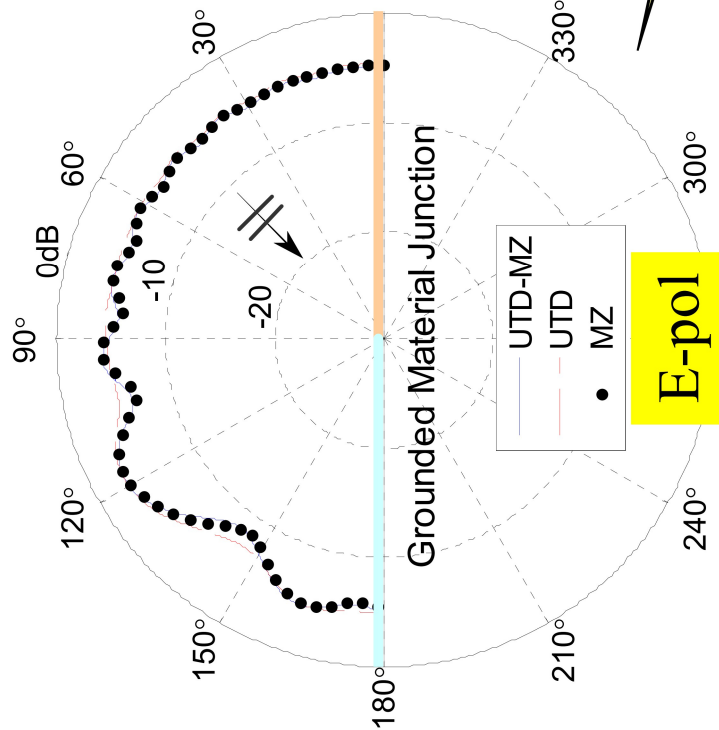
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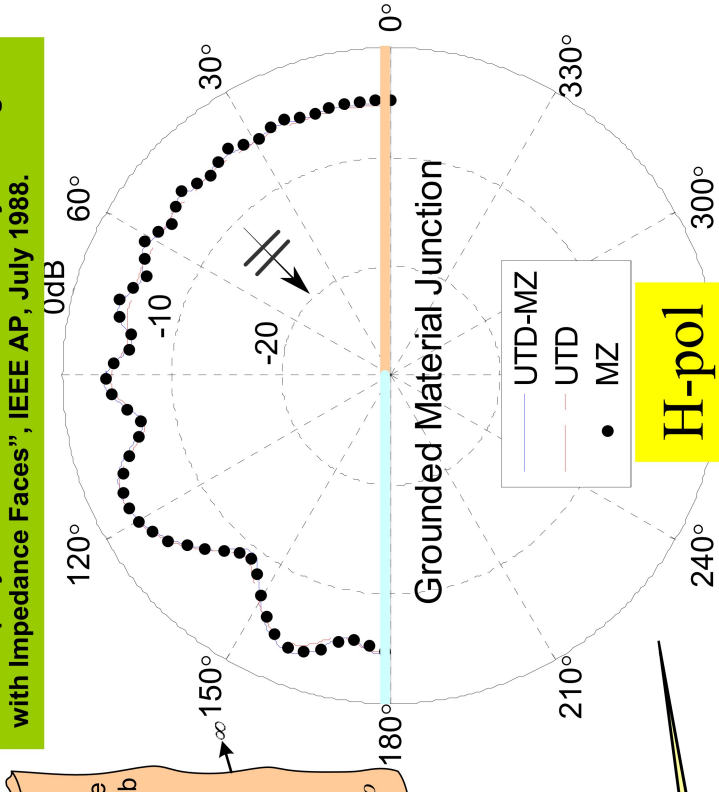
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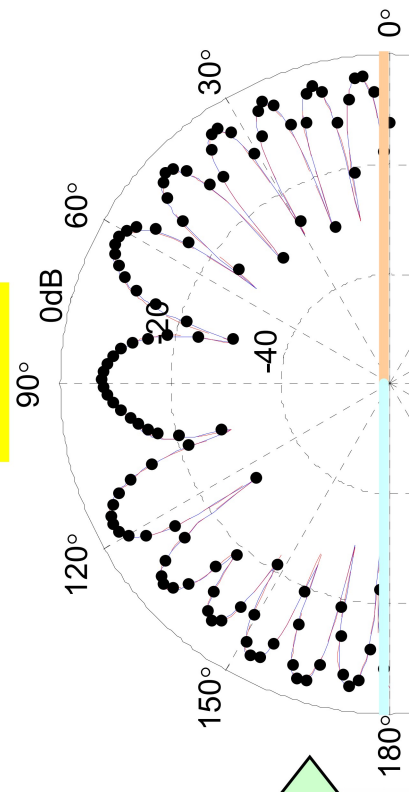
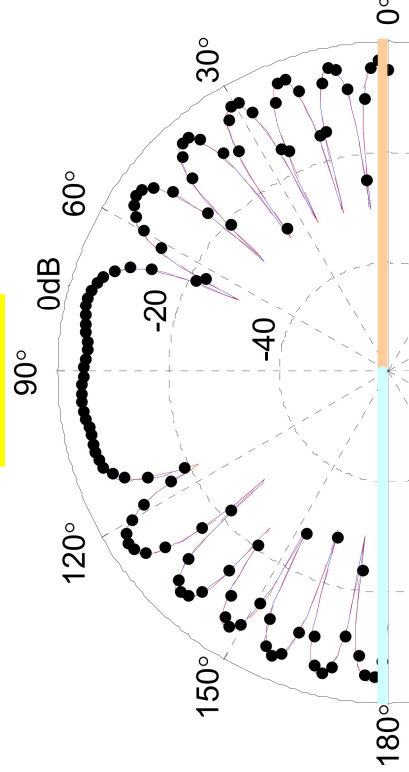
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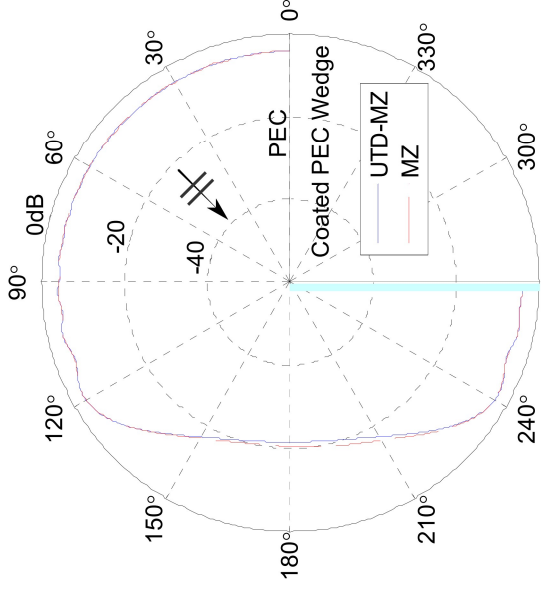
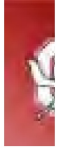
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# Numerical Results

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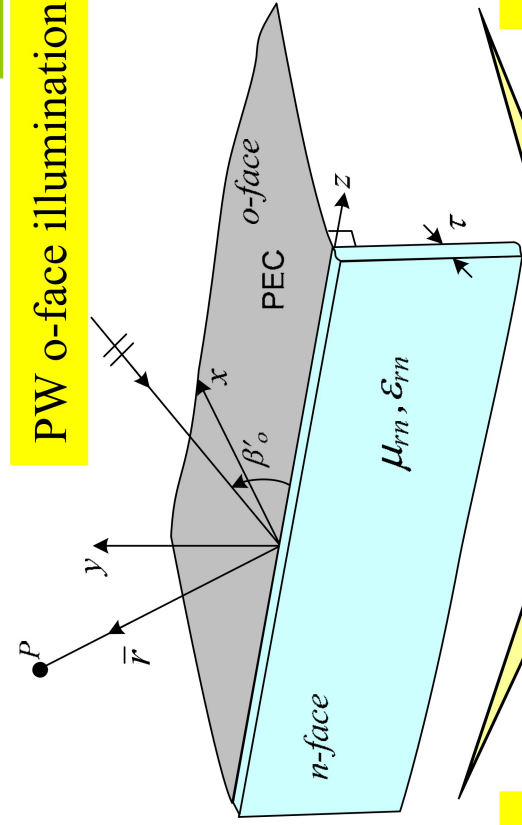
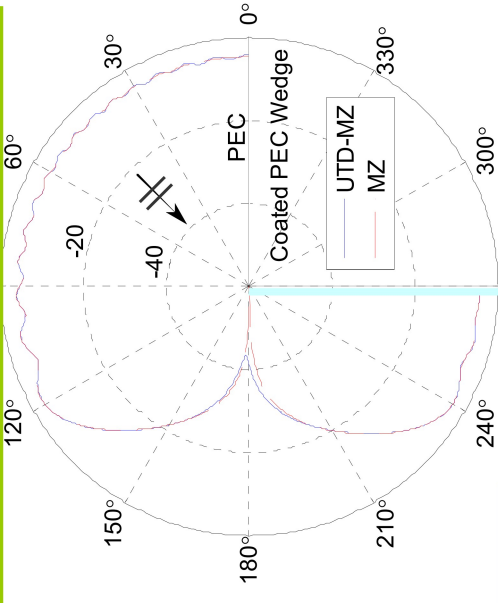
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Scatt. Field

Total Field

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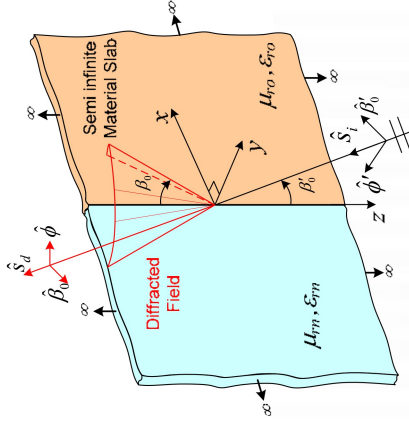
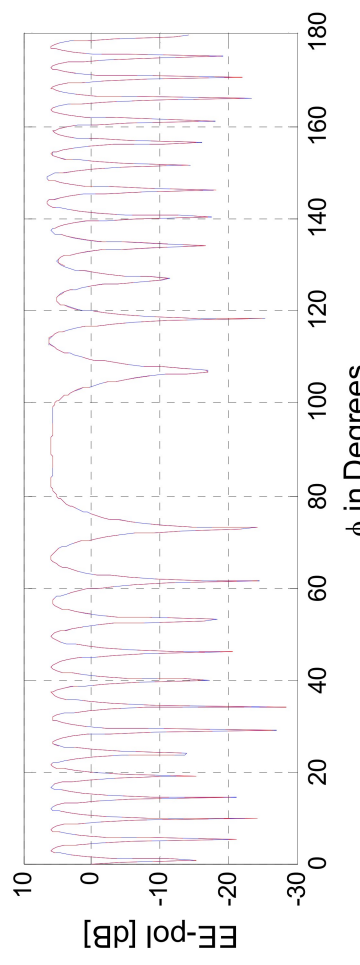
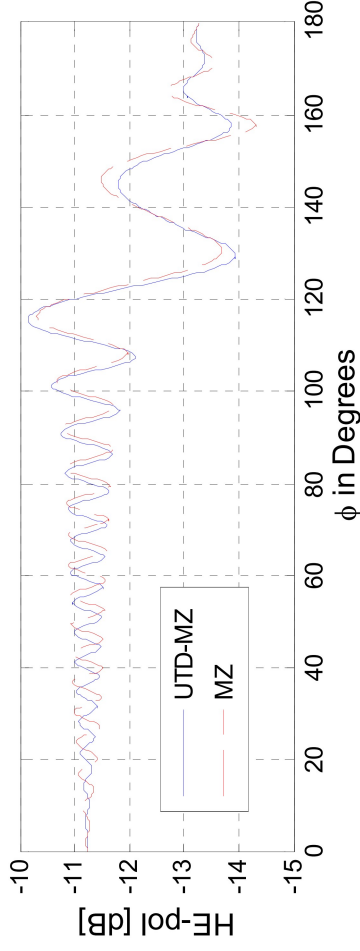
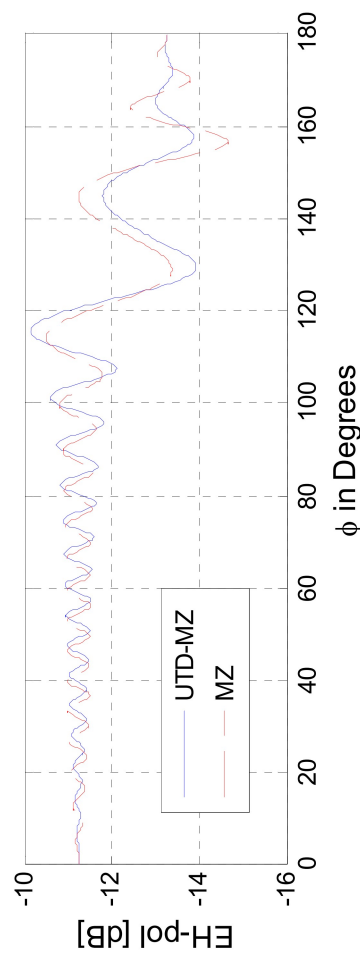
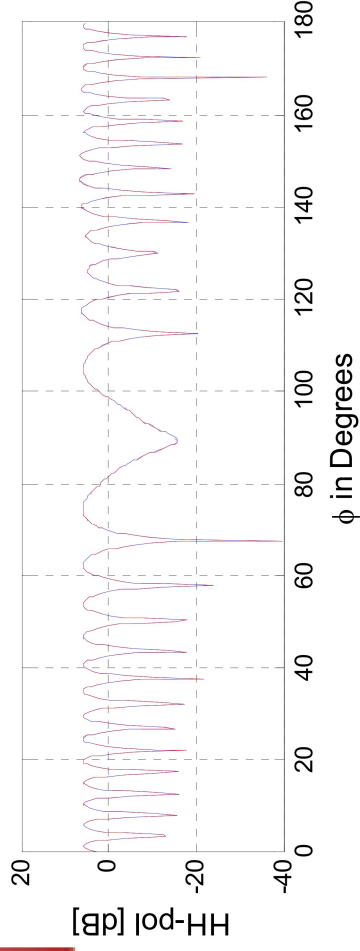


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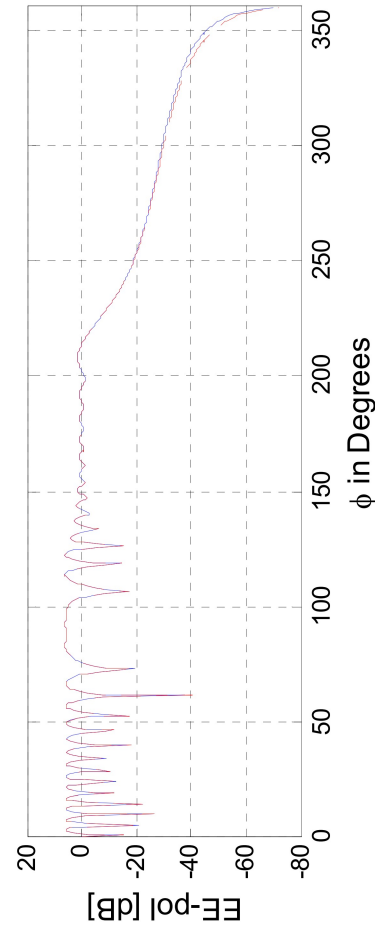
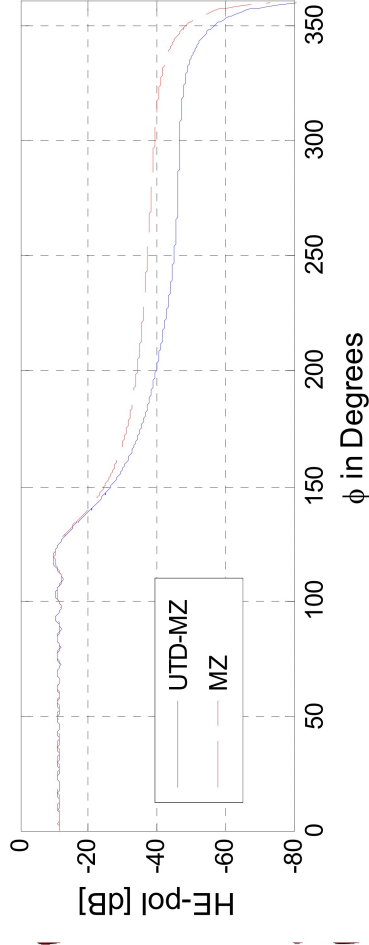
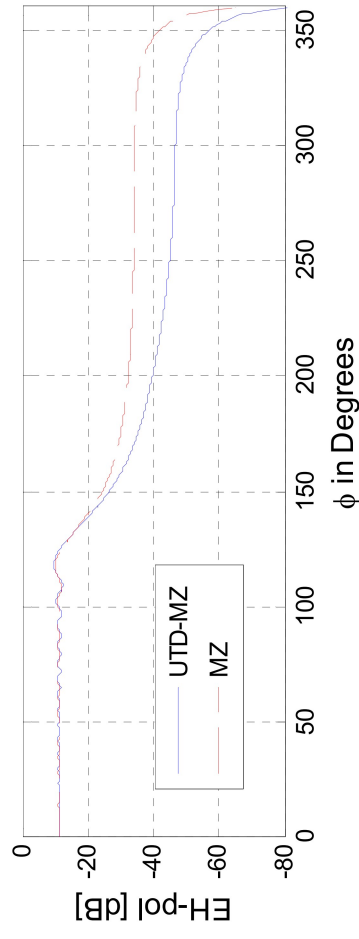
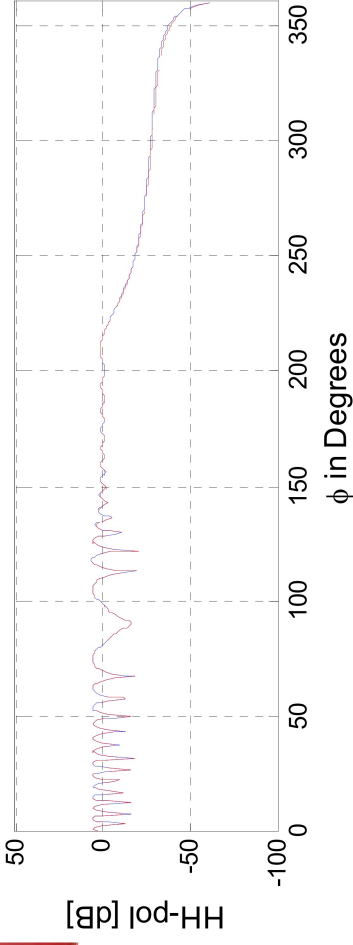


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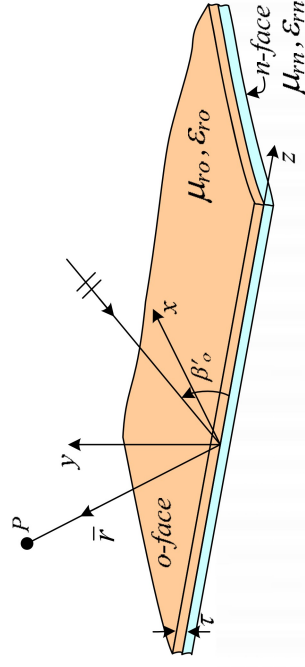
# Numerical Results

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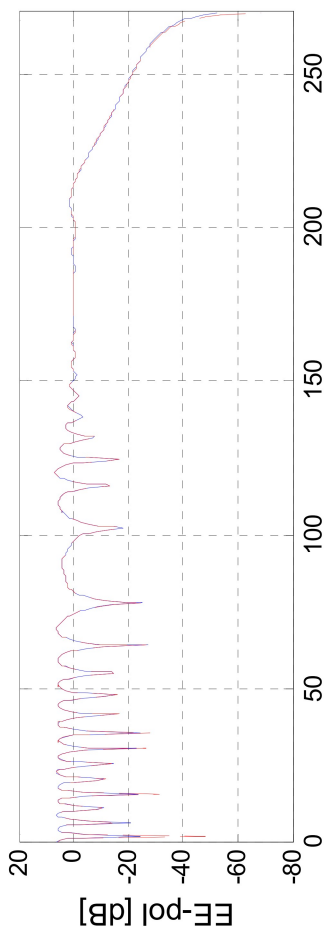
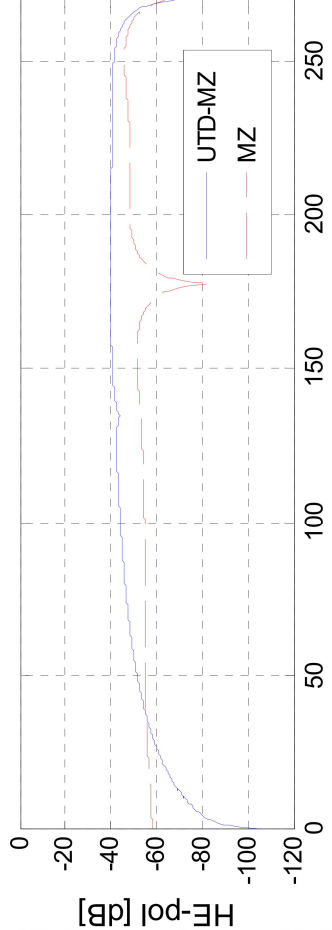
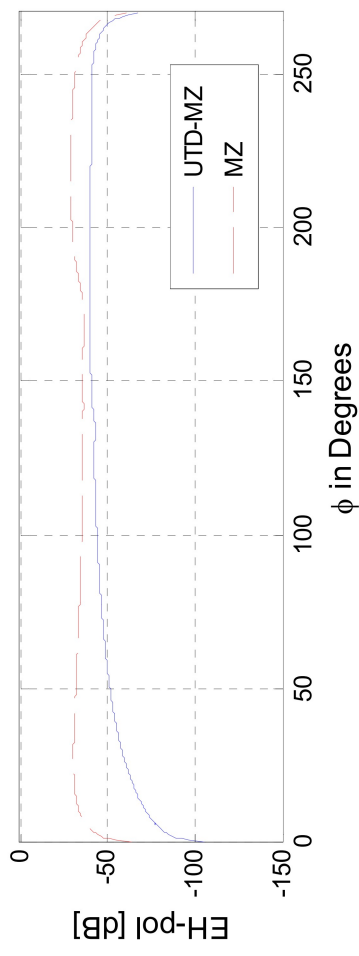
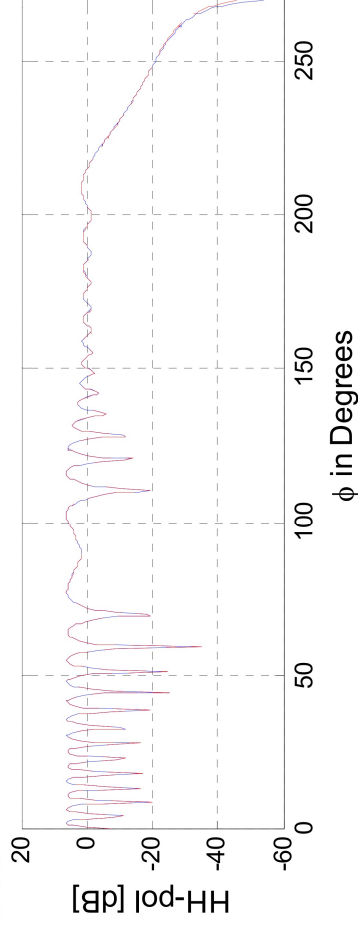


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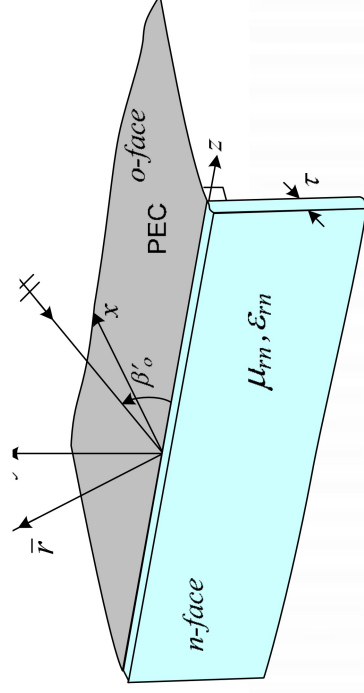
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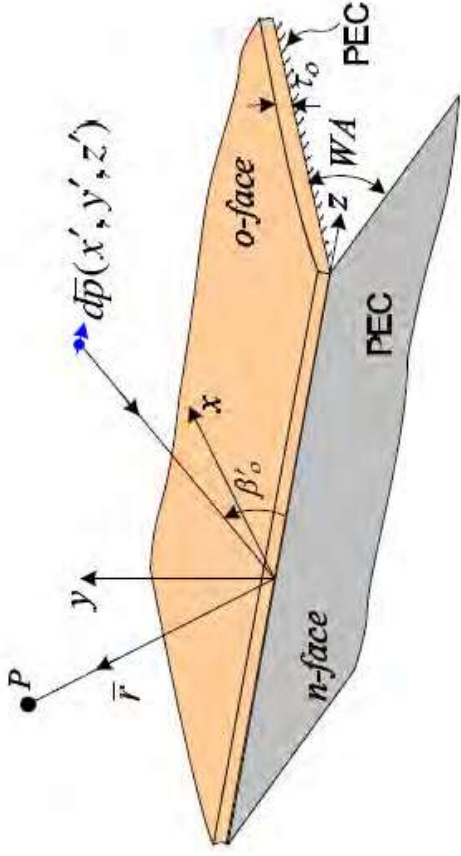


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# Numerical Results

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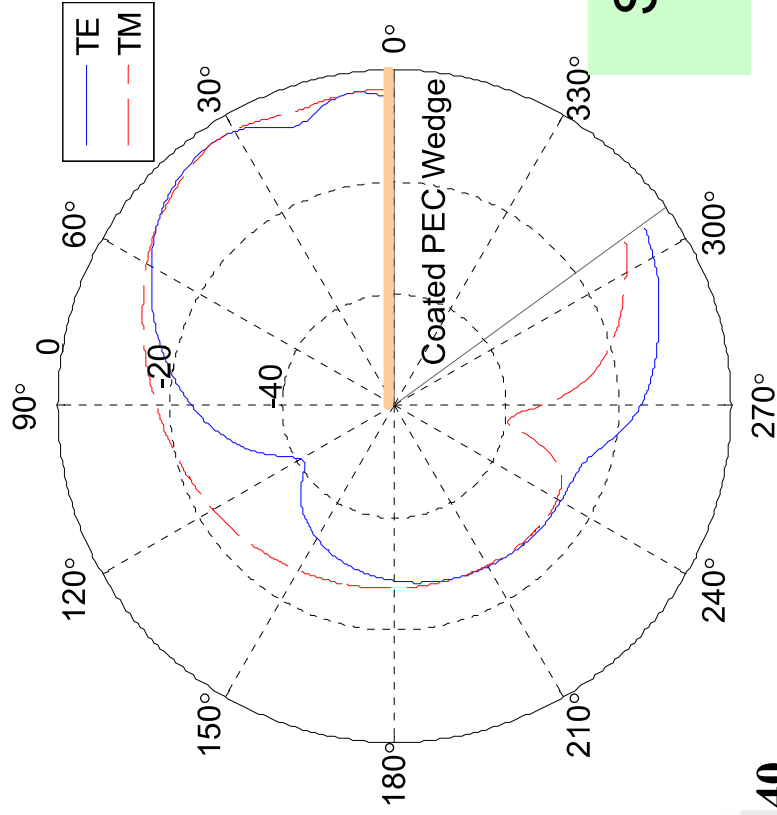
- $r' = 5\lambda$ ,  $\phi' = 117^\circ$ ,  $\beta' = 66^\circ$ ,  $r = 5\lambda$ ,  $\tau = \lambda/20$ ,  $\epsilon r n = 2.4$ , and  $\mu r n = 8$ .



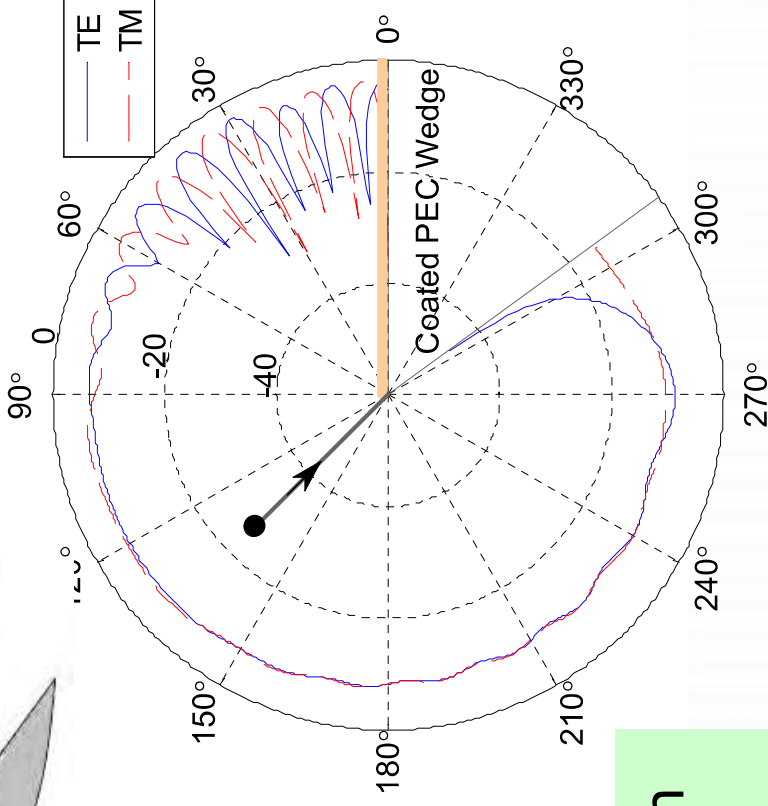
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Total Field



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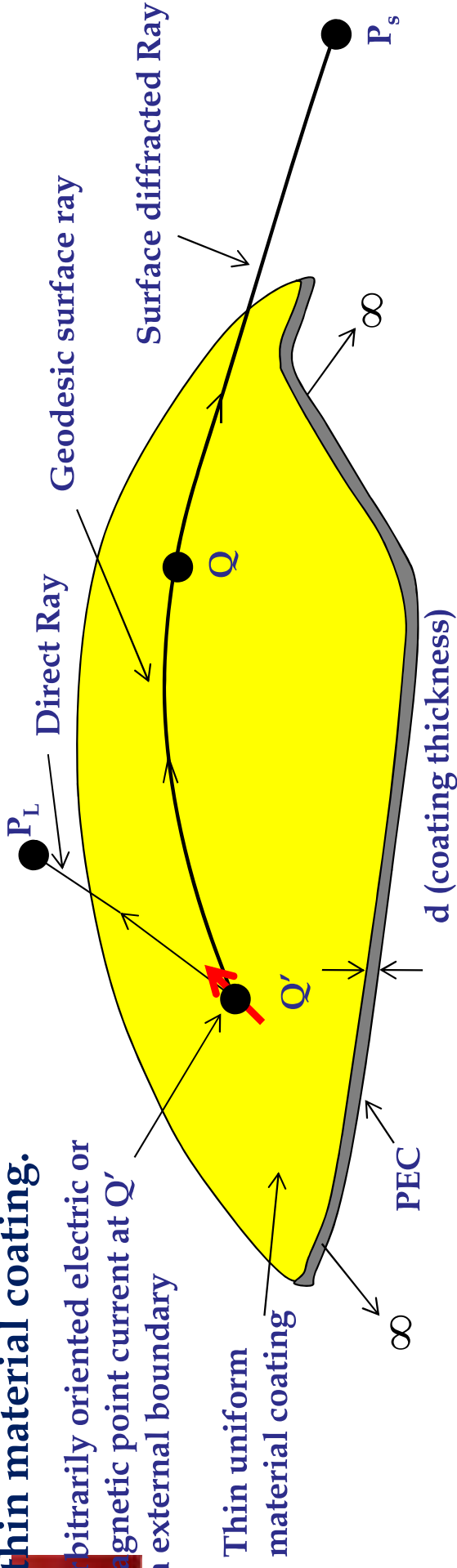
# ANTENNAS ON CONVEX COATED STRUCTURES

Kittisak Phaebua and Prabhakar Pathak

- A Uniform Geometrical Theory of Diffraction (UTD) Ray Solution is developed to predict the radiation by antennas on smooth convex metallic surfaces with thin material coating.



Arbitrarily oriented electric or magnetic point current at  $Q'$  on external boundary



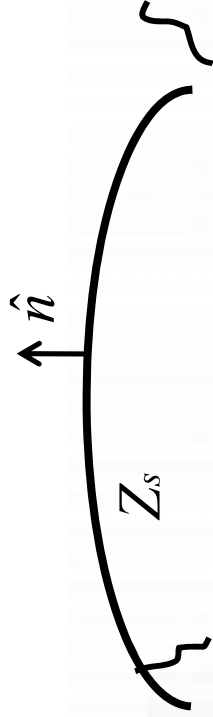
- Metallic surface is assumed to be a perfect electric conductor (PEC).

- Thin coating  $\longrightarrow kd \ll k\rho_g$  ;  $k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$  ;  $\rho_g$  = surface radii of curvature
- Also,  $kd < 1$

- For sufficiently thin material ( $\epsilon_r, \mu_r$ ) coating, one can approximate the actual boundary on the external surface by a surface impedance  $Z_s$

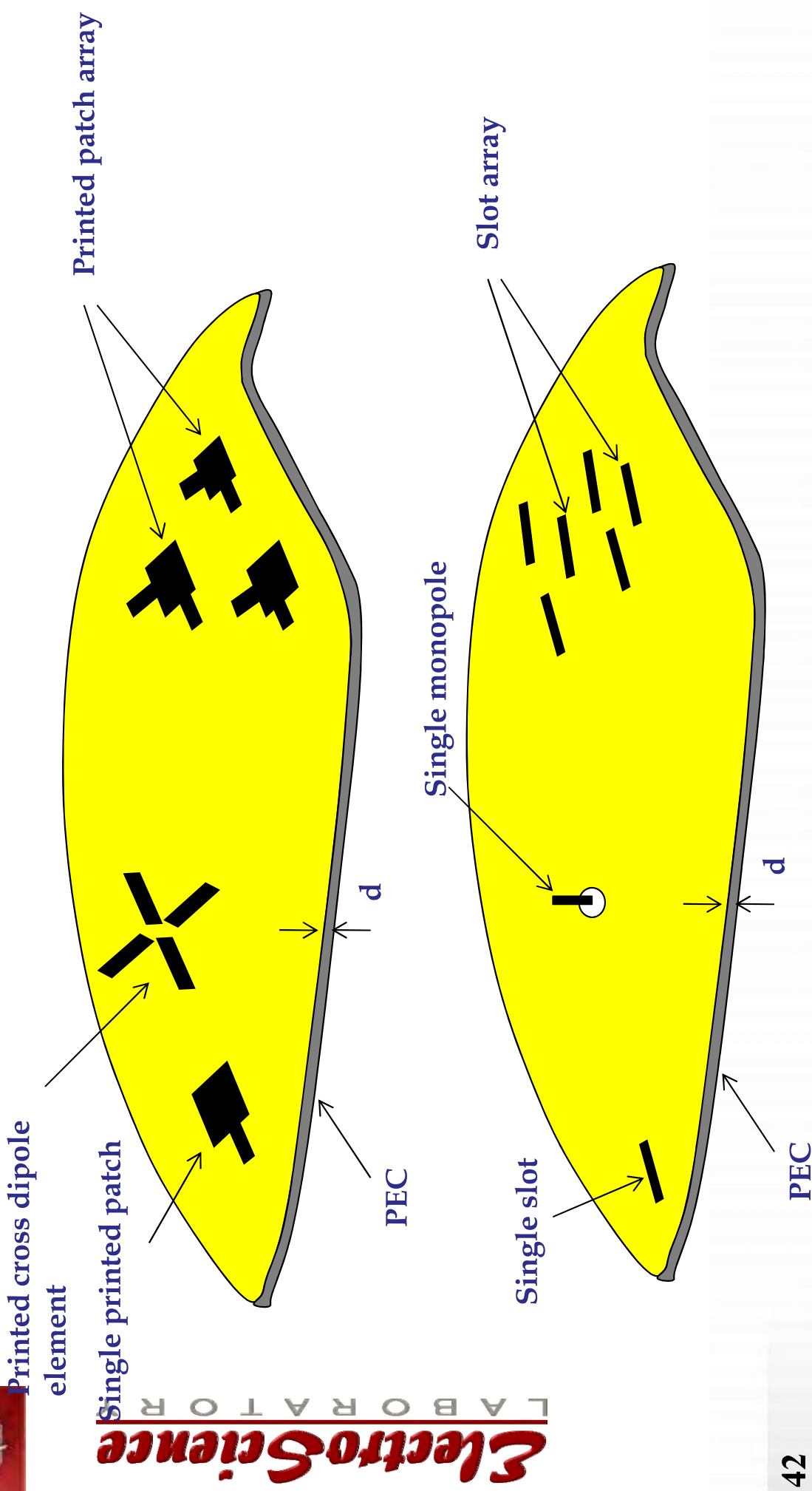
$$\hat{n} \times \hat{n} \times \bar{E} = -Z_s \hat{n} \times \bar{H}$$

$$Z_s \approx -jZ_0kd \left[ \frac{1 - \epsilon_r \mu_r}{\epsilon_r} \right] \left[ 1 + \frac{(kd)^2}{2} (1 - \epsilon_r \mu_r) \right]^{-1}$$



# MOTIVATION

- UTD Ray Analysis can be applied to analyze radiation by conformal antennas and antenna arrays in the presence of a smooth PEC convex surface with thin material coating.



## SOME PREVIOUS RELATED WORK

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- [2] N. A. Logan and K. S. Lee, "A Mathematical Model for Diffraction by Convex Surface," In Electromagnetic waves. R. ranger, Ed, Univ. Wisconsin Press, 1962.
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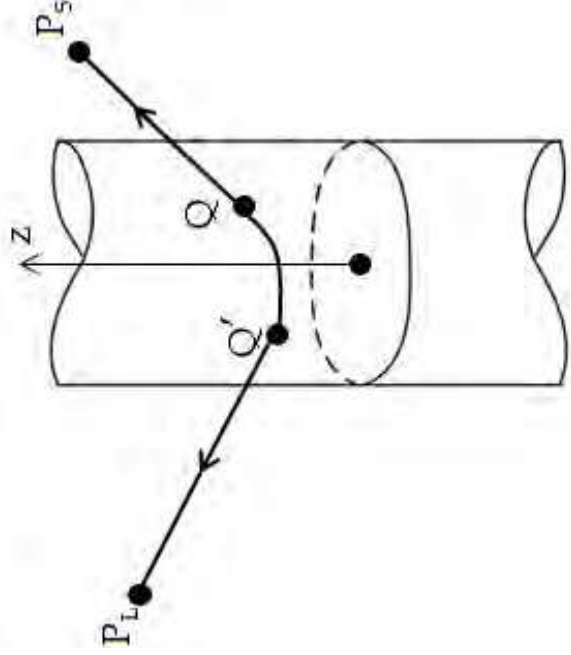
# ANALYTICAL FORMULATION

- A UTD solution for radiation by an arbitrarily oriented  $d\bar{p}_e$  or  $d\bar{p}_m$  on an arbitrary smooth convex surface with a uniform surface impedance boundary condition (IBC) is developed from canonical solutions.

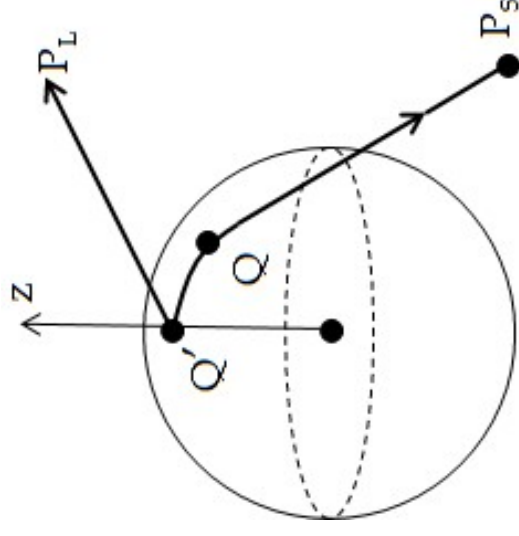


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Canonical problems to be solved pertain to  $d\bar{p}_e(Q')$  (or  $d\bar{p}_m(Q')$ ) with arbitrary orientation on circular cylinders and spheres with IBC.



(a) Canonical circular cylinder problem geometry



(b) Canonical spherical problem geometry

- Generalization of canonical solutions to arbitrary convex surface performed heuristically based on the principle of locality of HF wave phenomena

# NUMERICAL RESULTS (CYL)

Radius of cylinder =  $4\lambda$

Frequency of operation = 10 GHz

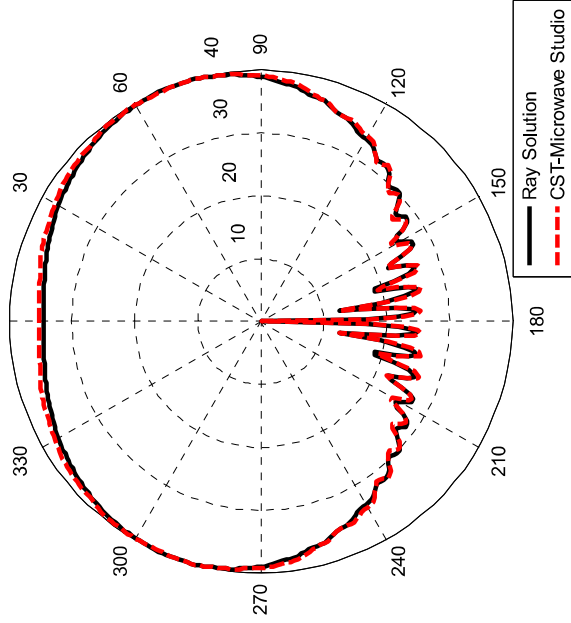
Thickness of dielectric coating =  $0.02\lambda$

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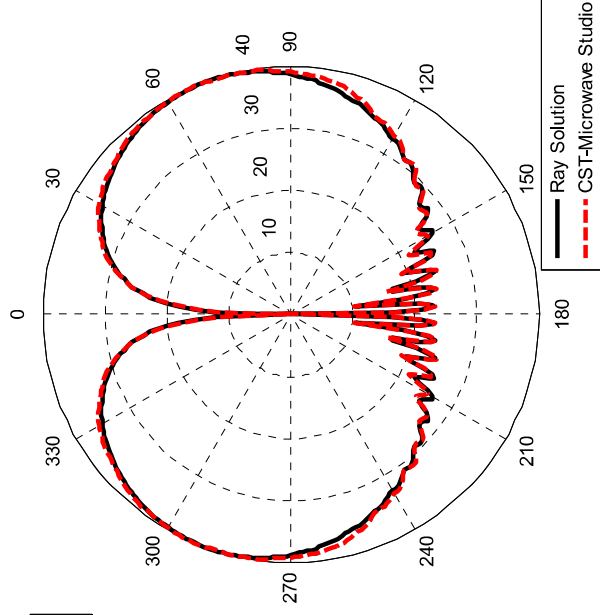
Length of cylinder =  $50\lambda$

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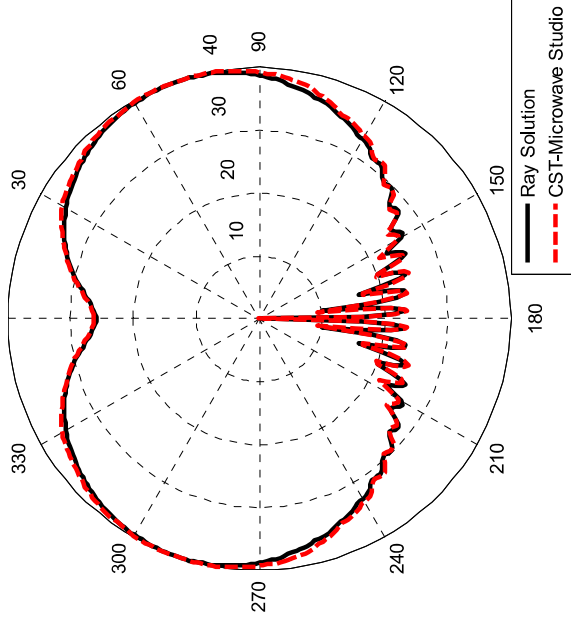
Normal electric current source,  $J_\rho(\bar{J}\hat{n})$



$E_\phi$  at  $\theta = 60^\circ$



$E_\phi$  at  $\theta = 90^\circ$



$E_\phi$  at  $\theta = 80^\circ$

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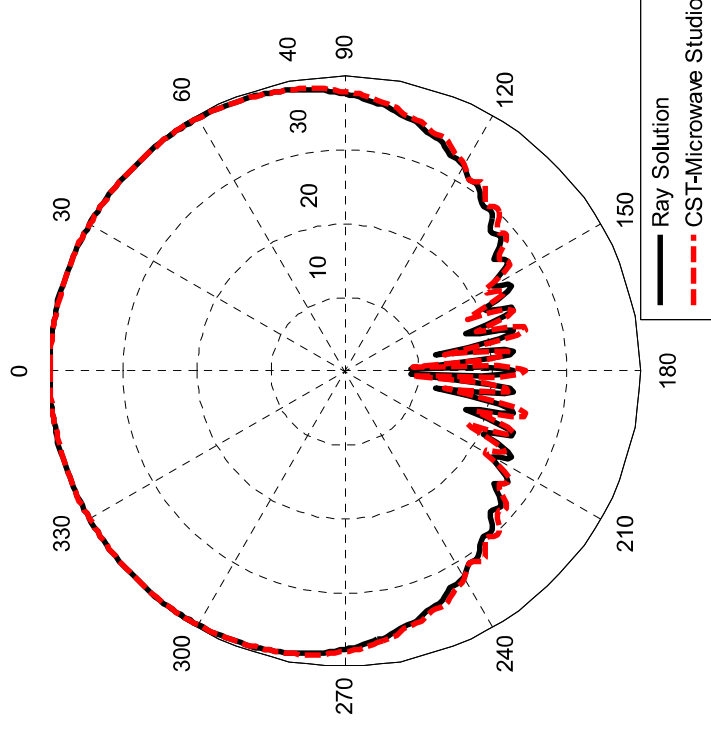
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Tangential magnetic current source,  $M_t(\bar{M}\hat{b}')$



$E_\phi$  at  $\theta = 90^\circ$

# NUMERICAL RESULTS (SPH)

Radius of sphere =  $4\lambda$

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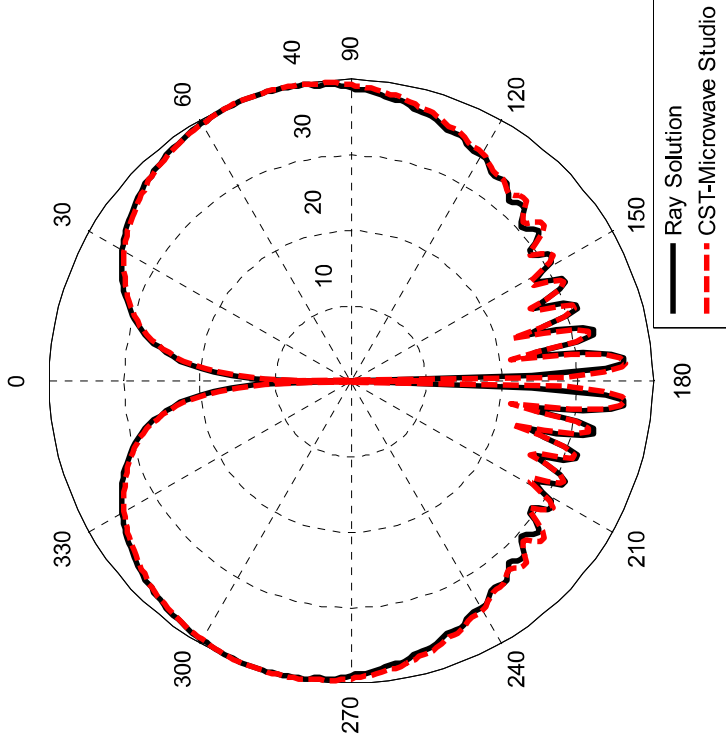
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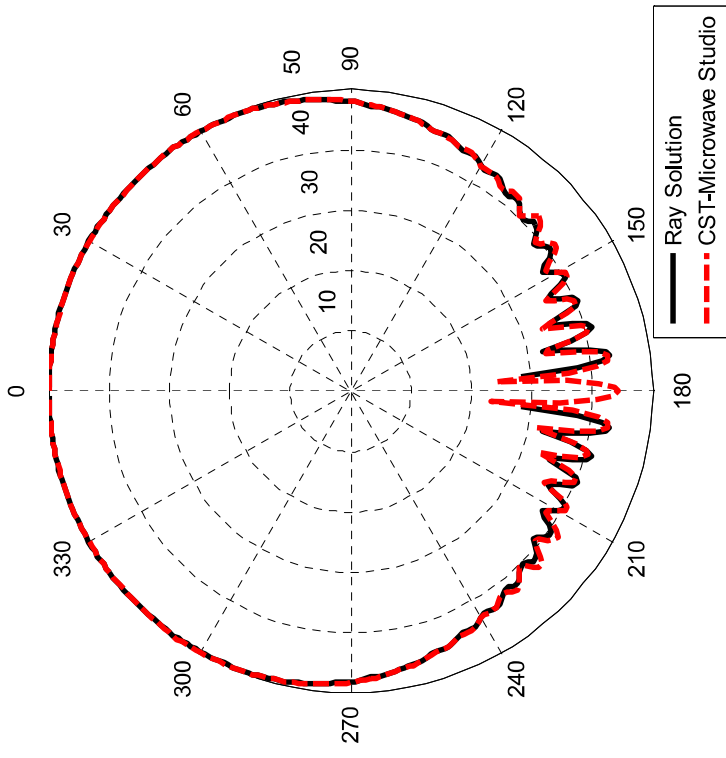


Normal electric current source,  $J_r(\bar{J}\hat{n})$

Tangential magnetic current source,  $M_t(\bar{M}\hat{b}')$



$$E_\theta = E_n$$



$$E_\theta = E_n$$



# A UTD Diffraction Coefficient for a Corner Formed by Truncation of Edges in an Otherwise Smooth Curved Surface

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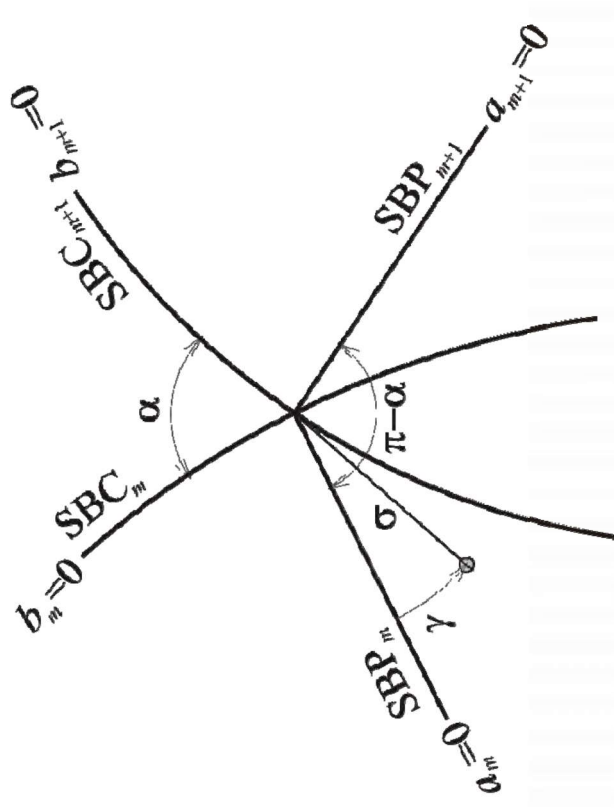
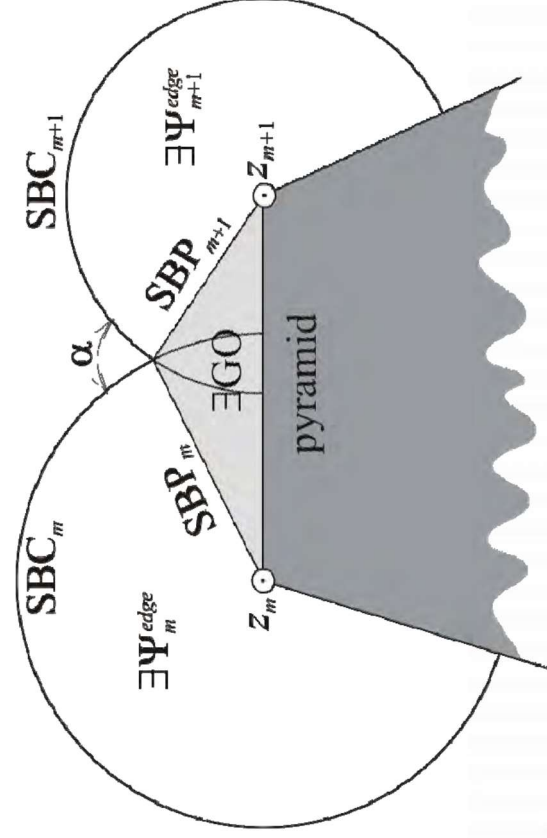
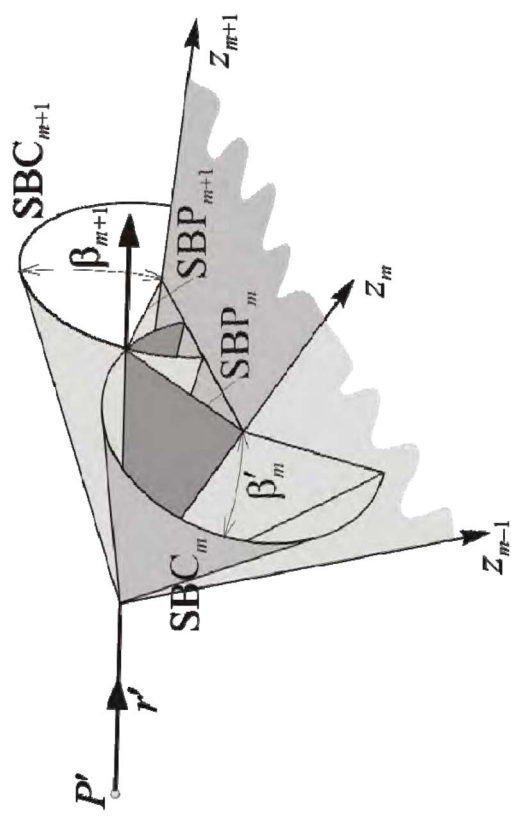
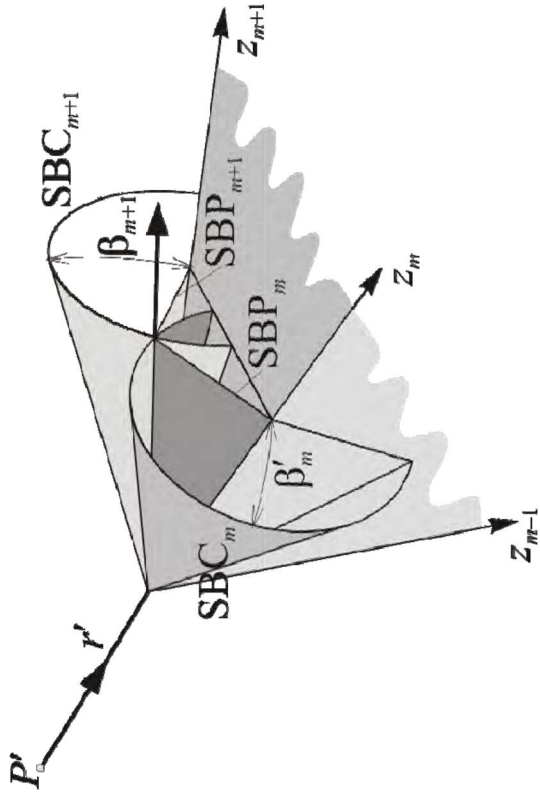


# UTD Vertex Diffraction Coefficient

Shadow Boundary Cones (SBCs) and Shadow Boundary Planes (SBPs):



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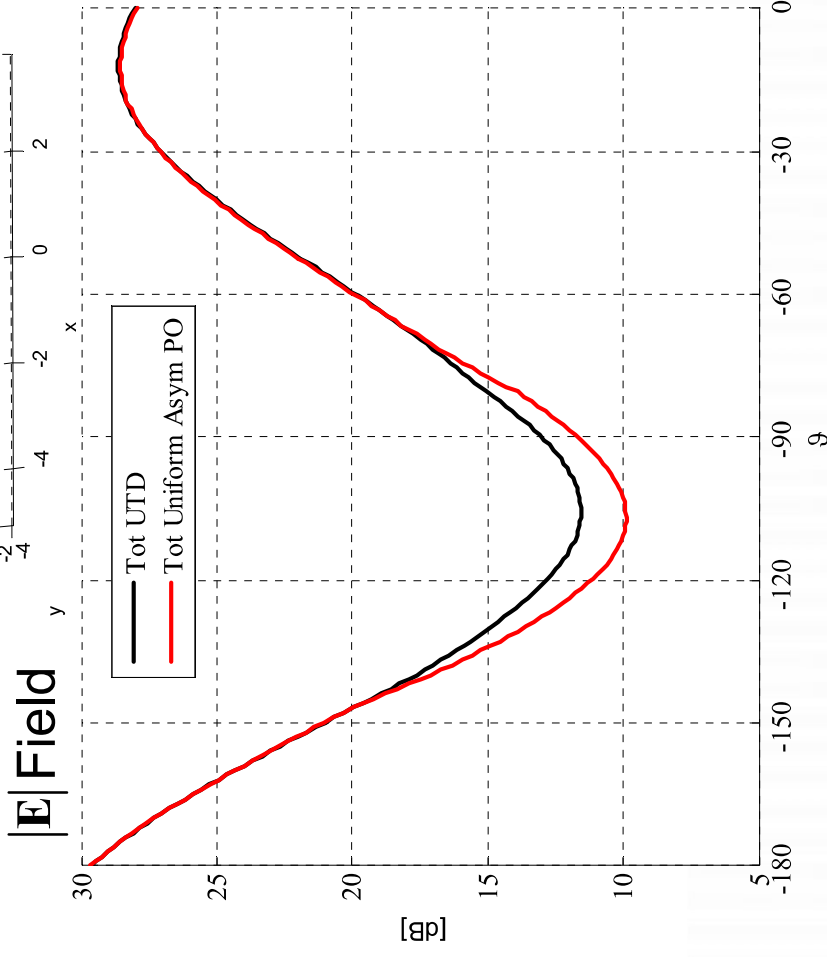
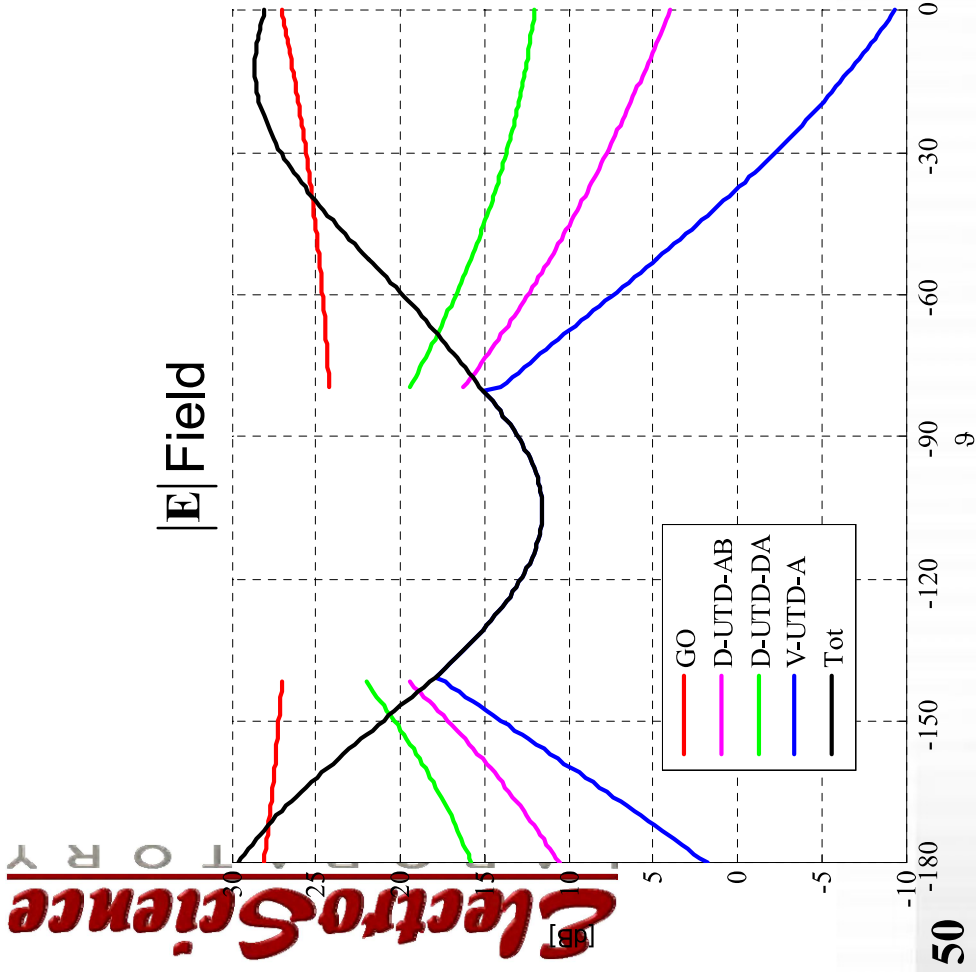
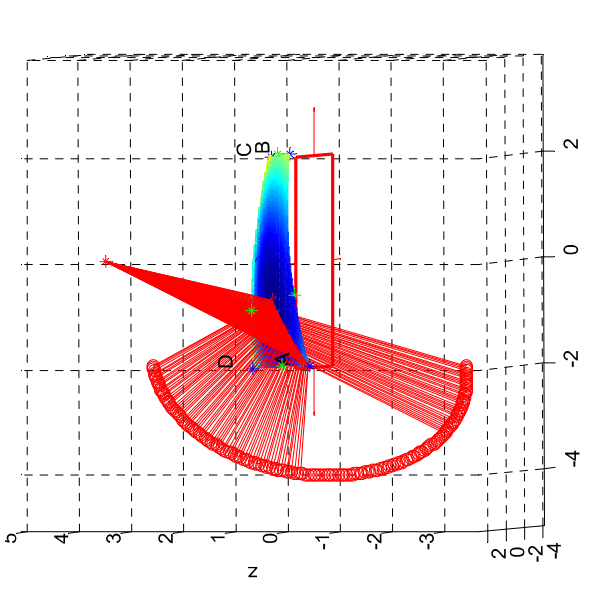
# III Example: Vertex Double Transition



We consider a smooth convex parabolic surface illuminated by an electric point source

Scan Center on the Vertex A

$$r = 3\lambda, \varphi = 45^\circ, -180^\circ < \vartheta < 0^\circ$$



# Remarks

- A UTD diffraction coefficient for a corner formed by truncation of edges in a smooth curved surface was presented.
- A PO diffraction coefficient is derived by asymptotical evaluation of the PO integral, to understand how the surface curvature affects the diffracted field transitional behavior.
- The UTD diffraction coefficient was obtained by heuristically modifying the UTD diffraction coefficient for a corner in a flat surface, on the basis of the previous PO result.
- Numerical examples show how the proposed diffracted coefficient smoothly compensates for the abrupt discontinuity occurring when the GO field or the singly diffracted at edges abruptly vanish.
- Valid for astigmatic ray tube illumination.
- Can be extended to include thin material coating.



# A UTD Analysis of the Radiation and Mutual Coupling Associated with Antennas on a Smooth Perfectly Conducting Arbitrary Convex Surface with a Uniform Material Coating

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## 1 Introduction

A uniform geometrical theory of diffraction (UTD) solution has been developed for predicting the radiation and mutual coupling associated with conformal antennas placed anywhere within or on a uniform homogeneous material which covers a perfectly conducting convex surface of arbitrary shape. This work is of interest in the design of conformal antennas and arrays for aircraft, spacecraft, missiles and automobiles. The present solution is heuristically constructed, via locality of high frequency fields, from the asymptotic high frequency field solutions pertaining to the canonical problems of the radiation and coupling associated with sources located in or on a material coated circular conducting cylinder and a material coated conducting sphere, respectively. This solution employs the ray coordinates of the geometric theory of diffraction (GTD) illustrated in Figure 1. In the case of the coupling problem the surface field excited by the current source is associated with Keller's surface rays which traverse geodesic paths between the source point  $Q'$  and the surface field point  $Q$  as in Figure 1(a). In the radiation problem the field propagates along Keller's surface diffracted ray path, from the source at  $Q'$  to the observer at  $P$ , in the shadow region as in Figure 1(b), whereas in the lit region the incident field propagates along the geometric optics ray path from  $Q'$  to  $P$  as in Figure 1(c). The fields associated with each of the rays in Figures 1(a), 1(b), and 1(c) may be compactly expressed in terms of a dyadic  $\bar{\Gamma}^n(P|Q')$  which behaves as a transfer function between the source located at  $Q'$  and field point. It is further noted that the components of the dyadic  $\bar{\Gamma}^n(P|Q')$  are expressed in terms of generalized Fock type radiation field and surface field integrals.

## 2 The Form of the Field Solution

In the case of the radiated fields, the electric field  $\bar{E}(P)$  radiated by a source  $\bar{p}(\bar{r}' - \bar{r}_Q)$  at  $Q'$  can be expressed symbolically as

$$\bar{E}(P) = \bar{\Gamma}_n(P|Q') \cdot \bar{p} \quad ; \quad \text{for } \bar{r} = \bar{r} \text{ or } \bar{m} \quad (1)$$

where  $\bar{r}$  and  $\bar{m}$  represent unit strength electric and magnetic point currents at  $Q'$  respectively. For the field point  $P = P_L$  in the lit region as in Figure 1(b), the dyadic  $\bar{\Gamma}_n(P|Q')$  is given as

$$\bar{\Gamma}_n(P|Q') \sim \frac{-jK_0}{4\pi} [\hat{b}_n A + \hat{t}_n \hat{b} B + \hat{b}_n \hat{b} C + \hat{t}_n \hat{n} D] \cdot \frac{e^{-jK_0 r}}{r} \quad (2)$$

and for the field point  $P = P_S$  in the shadow region as in Figure 1(c)

$$\bar{\Gamma}_n(P|Q') \sim (-jK_0/4\pi) [\hat{b}_n T_1 + \hat{t}_n \hat{b} T_2 + \hat{b}_n \hat{b} T_3 + \hat{t}_n \hat{n} T_4] \frac{e^{-jK_0 r}}{r} \sqrt{\frac{d\psi_0}{d\eta(Q)} \left[ \frac{\rho_d(Q)}{\rho_s(Q')} \right]^{1/6}} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_d}{s^d(\rho_d + s^d)}} \cdot e^{-jK_0 s^d} \quad (3)$$

where the components  $A, B, C, D, T_1, T_2, T_3,$  and  $T_4$  are deduced from the asymptotic solutions for the canonical problems and are expressed in terms of generalized Fock radiation type integrals developed here. The quantities  $\rho^d$  and  $s^d$  are the same as in [1]; also,  $d\eta(Q)$  is the width of the surface ray at  $Q$ , and  $d\psi_0$  and  $d\psi$  are the angles subtended by surface ray strip at  $Q'$  and  $Q$  respectively, also the same as in [1].

In the case of the mutual coupling, the UTD expressions for the EM fields  $(\bar{E}(Q), \bar{H}(Q))$  at  $Q$  due to a point current element at  $Q'$  may be symbolically written as

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \bar{E}(Q) \\ \bar{H}(Q) \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \bar{\Gamma}_{sp}(Q|Q') \\ \bar{\Gamma}_{sp}(Q|Q') \end{Bmatrix} \cdot \bar{p}, \quad (4)$$

Similar to [2] for the special case of the perfectly conducting convex surface without material coating,  $\bar{\Gamma}_{sp}$  and  $\bar{\Gamma}_{sp}$  can be expressed in terms of the unit vectors fixed in the surface ray coordinates as in (2). These  $\bar{\Gamma}_{sp}$  and  $\bar{\Gamma}_{sp}$  contain generalized surface type Fock integrals.

## 3 Numerical Results

An example of the numerical evaluation of a typical radiation type Fock integral is given below. Consider a dielectric coated conducting circular cylinder with inner radius  $a = 1.59\lambda_0$ , coating thickness  $t = .06\lambda_0$ , and with a dielectric constant  $\epsilon_r = 2.56$ . The radiation type of the Fock integral in the circular cross section plane for this geometry is given as

$$g^h(\mathcal{Z}') = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dr \frac{e^{-j\mathcal{Z}'r}}{w_2(r) - q(r)} \cdot w_2(r) \quad (5)$$

where  $q(r)$  is a parameter dependent on the material coating, i.e thickness and material parameters, and  $w_2(r)$  is the Fock type Airy function [1, 2]. A numerically efficient, and accurate method has been developed based on the

procedure prescribed by Pearson [5], where this procedure has been extended to treat all classes of the Fock type integrals, namely the radiation and surface, including the U and V type of the latter. Figure 2 clearly illustrates the effectiveness of this newly developed method, where the numerical evaluation of the radiation integral given in Equation (5) (represented by the solid line) agrees extremely well with its closed form asymptotic representation valid for large negative  $\mathcal{Z}'$  (corresponding to the lit region of the cylinder geometry) and with its residue series representation valid for large positive  $\mathcal{Z}'$  (corresponding to the deep shadow region).

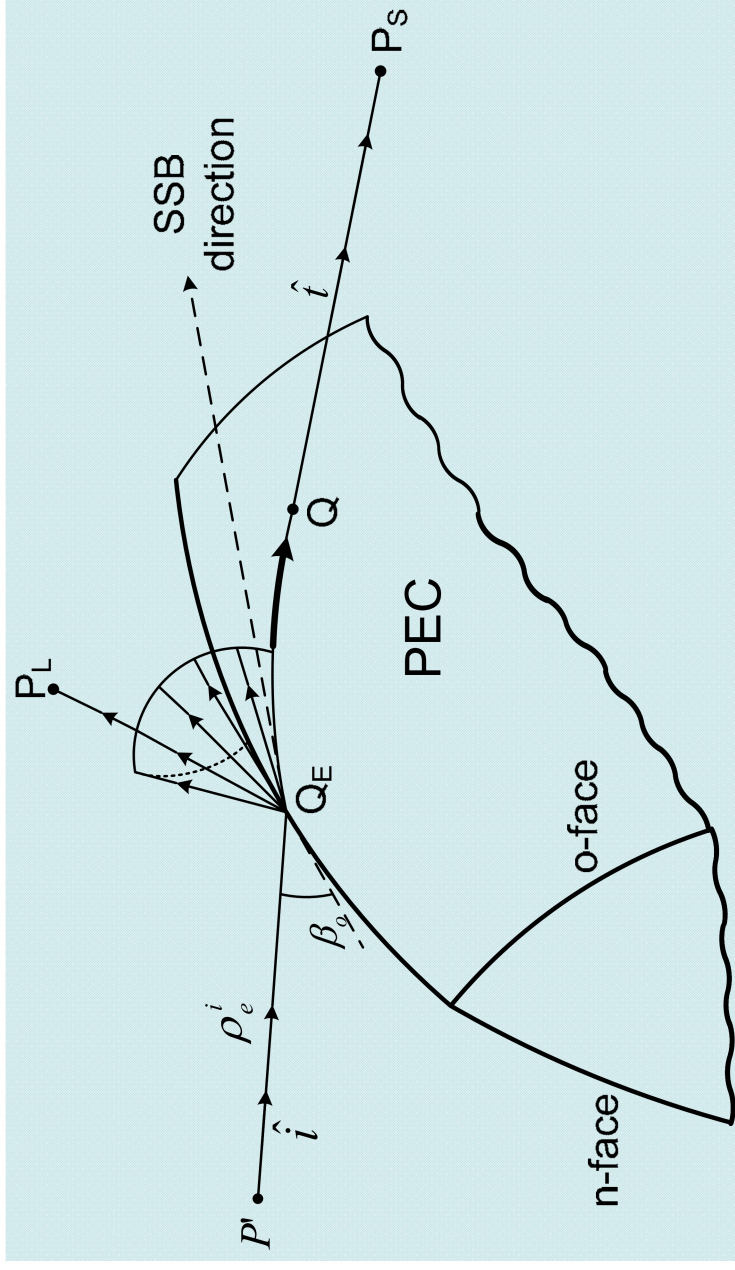
## 4 Conclusions

The present UTD solution provides a relatively simple yet accurate solution which is ideally suited analyzing conformal antenna and antenna array problems whose electrical size or shape preclude them from being solved by the standard numerical techniques. This solution which is valid for perfectly conducting convex surfaces with a material coating is valid uniformly within shadow boundary transition regions and is expressed in terms of a more general class of Fock functions that may be readily computed via a fast and efficient numerical procedure. In addition, this solution also explicitly shows the effect of surface ray torsion on the radiated fields in the shadow and transition regions.

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# Edge excited surface rays



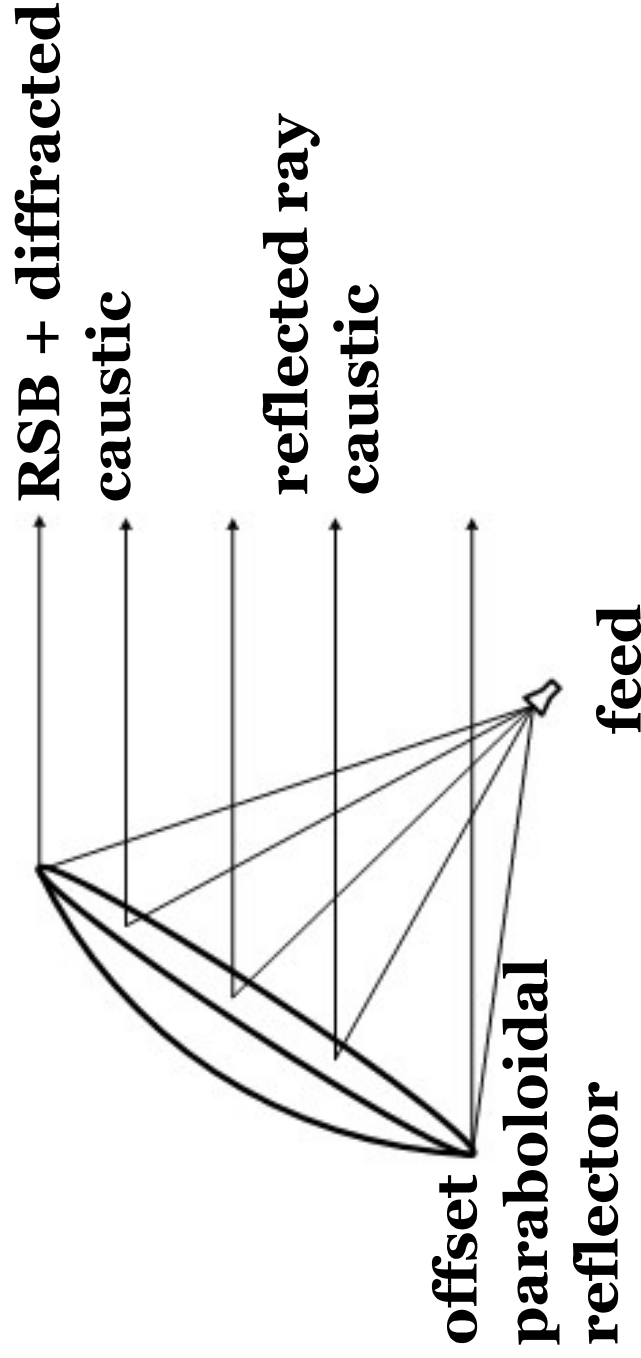
- Presently UTD solution has been obtained for ISB and SSB far apart.
- Work is in progress to obtain an asymptotic solution useful for engineering applications when ISB and SSB regions overlap.

# Comments

- Keller's original GTD is not valid at and near ISB, RSB, SSB (i.e. in SB transition regions).
- UTD developed to patch Keller's original theory within the SB transition regions.
- GTD corrects GO, and GTD = GO + diffraction
- UTD corrects GTD, but usually UTD  $\rightarrow$  GTD outside SB transition regions.
- UTD ray paths remain independent of frequency.
- UTD offers an analytical (generally closed form) solution to many complex problems that can not otherwise be solved in an analytical fashion.
- UTD in some cases must be augmented by PO/PTD or ECM



- **PO/PTD can give rise to spurious contributions from the shadow boundary line in a smooth body.**
- **PO/PTD does not incorporate creeping wave effects.**
- **PO can correct for UTD transport singularities at and near the confluence of edge induced GO ray shadow boundaries and GO/diffracted ray caustics (e.g. forward radiation from parabolic reflector antennas).**



# SPECTRAL THEORY OF DIFFRACTION (STD)

- UTD/GTD requires a RAY OPTICAL incident field
- If the incident field is NON-RAY OPTICAL, then it must be represented by:
  - a) continuous set of PLANE WAVES (e.g. Plane Wave Spectrum)
  - b) discrete set of RAY OPTICAL fields
- Each constituent RAY OPTICAL field in the SPECTRAL DECOMPOSITION of a NON-RAY OPTICAL incident wave can be treated by UTD.
- The total UTD solution is then a summation of the UTD response to each constituent RAY OPTICAL incident field



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# Equivalent Current Method (ECM)

- ECM is useful for patching UTD/GTD at and near diffracted ray CAUSTICS far from ISB, RSB



• A conical wave is produced by a TRAVELING WAVE line current. Comparing TW line current fields with  $s \ll \rho$  case, one obtains:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} I(l') \\ M(l') \end{array} \right\} = \frac{-e^{-j\frac{\pi}{4}}}{\sqrt{\sin \beta_0 \sin \beta_0'}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{8\pi}{k}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Y_0 \\ Z_0 \end{array} \right\} \hat{l} \cdot \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{E}^i(Q_E(l')) D_{es}(\phi, \phi'; \sqrt{\sin \beta_0 \sin \beta_0'}) \\ \vec{H}^i(Q_E(l')) D_{eh}(\phi, \phi'; \sqrt{\sin \beta_0 \sin \beta_0'}) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\vec{E}^d(P) \sim \frac{j k Z_0}{4\pi} \int_{\mathcal{L}} [\hat{R} \times \hat{R}' \times I(l') \hat{l}' \cdot \hat{Y}_0 \hat{R}' \times M(l') \hat{l}'] \frac{e^{-j k R}}{R} dl'$$

$$\bar{R} = \overline{OP}, \quad \bar{R}' = \overline{OQ_E(l)}$$

$$R = |\bar{R} - \bar{R}'|$$

Outside the CAUSTIC region ECM  $\rightarrow$  GTD.



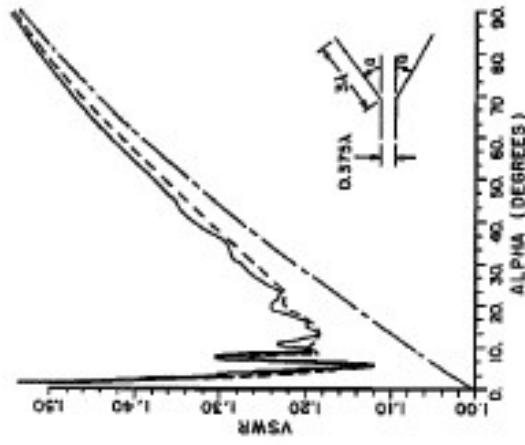


Fig. . The geometry and VSWR of a horn antenna. The dash-dotted curve denotes only throat contributions, the solid curve denotes throat and aperture contributions, and the dashed line denotes moment method calculations.

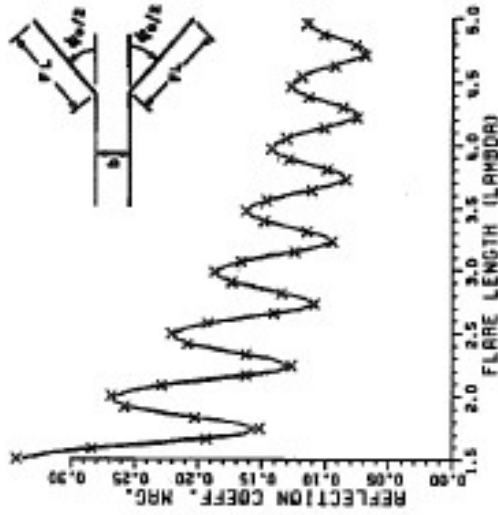


Fig. . Magnitude of the reflection from the two-dimensional E plane sectorial horn as a function of the wavelength. Here,  $b = 1.58$  cm, flare length (FL) = 31.92 cm, and  $\phi_c = 33.5^\circ$ . The solid curve is from Jaf [1972], and the crosses indicate results of the present analysis.

# ECM for Interior Waveguide Discontinuities

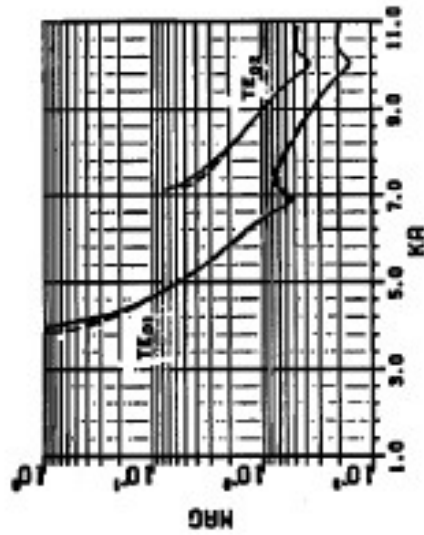
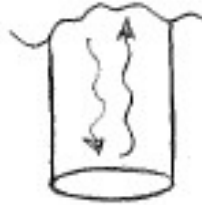


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## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON ASYMPTOTIC HF METHODS

- Asymptotic HF methods are powerful for analyzing a wide variety of electrically large EM problems.



Conventional CEM numerical solution methods based on self consistent wave formulations become rapidly inefficient, or even intractable, for solving large “EM problems” .

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UTD is more developed, especially for handling smooth convex boundary diffraction.

HF wave optical methods (PO, PTD, ITD, SBR) have not directly incorporated creeping waves.

Ray optical methods require ray tracing. More efficient but less robust. Ray paths independent of frequency.

Wave optical methods require numerical integration on the large object. Less efficient but more robust. Does not scale with frequency.



Pathak (younger version)

Kouyoumjian

Keller



Kouyoumjian

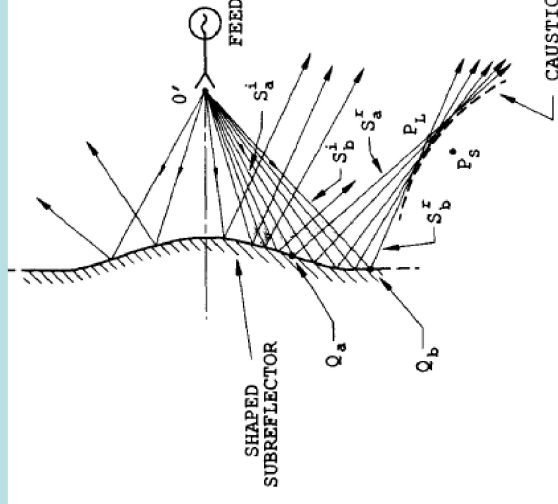
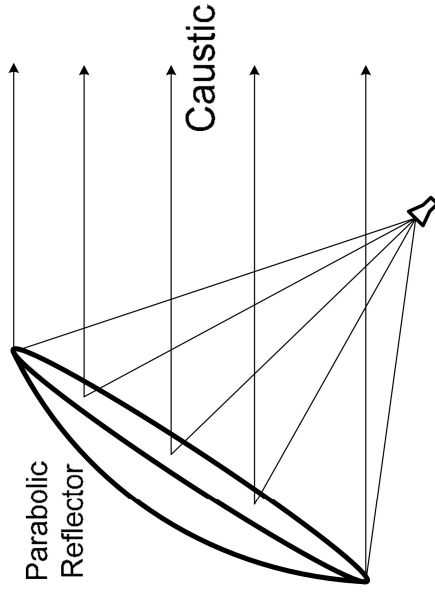
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# Beam Methods & Some Applications

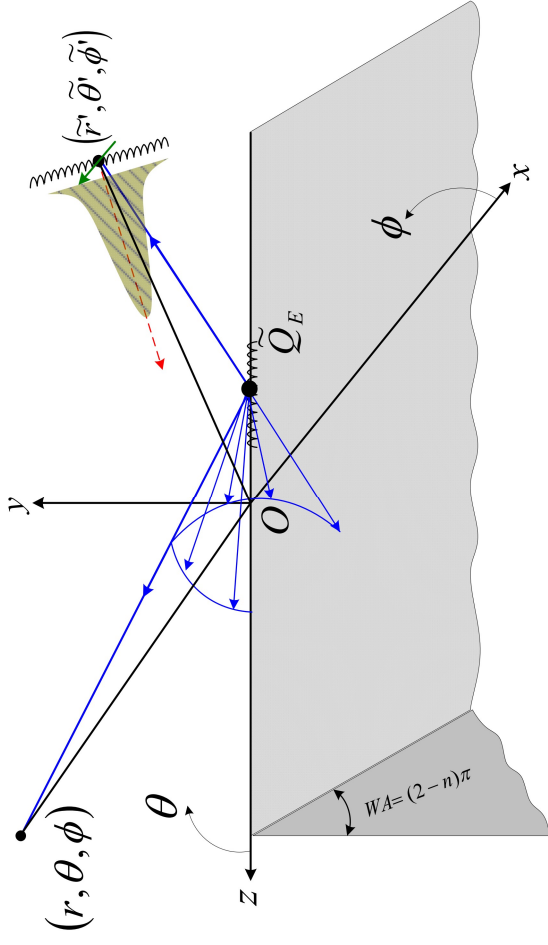
- Beams provide useful basis functions for representing EM fields.
- Ray methods fail at caustics (focii) of ray systems. Caustics are formed by intersection or envelopes associated with the same class of rays. Beams remain valid in regions of real ray caustics



- Beams can be used to treat large reflector systems and radome problems efficiently.
- Beams can be used to improve the speed of conventional Moment Method (MoM) solution of governing EM integral equation (IE) for the radiating object.
- Beams can also be used for Near Field → Far Field transformations required in near field measurements.

# Complex Source Beam (CSB) Diffraction by a Wedge

- UTD for real source excitation of wedge developed via first order Pauli-Clemmow method (PCM) [1-4] for asymptotic solution of canonical wedge diffraction integral along a steepest descent path (SDP)



- First order PCM not strictly valid (for poles crossing the SDP away from saddle point); hence analytic continuation of UTD for complex source location without further study is questionable!

- First order Van der Waerden method (VWM) [1-4] is valid even where PCM fails.

- However, one can show that the first order VWM method, upon using a key rearrangement (and combination) of terms, yields:

**Key Step**  $\rightarrow$   $VWM = PCM + \Delta \equiv EPCM$  (Extended PCM)

- Next, for the special wedge case of interest, it is shown analytically (and verified numerically) that  $\Delta \approx 0$ .

Note:  
 PCM  $\rightarrow$  UTD for wedge  
 VWM  $\equiv$  EPCM  $\rightarrow$  EUTD for wedge

**For a wedge**  $\rightarrow$   $EUTD = UTD + \Delta \approx UTD$  (since  $\Delta$  is negligible)

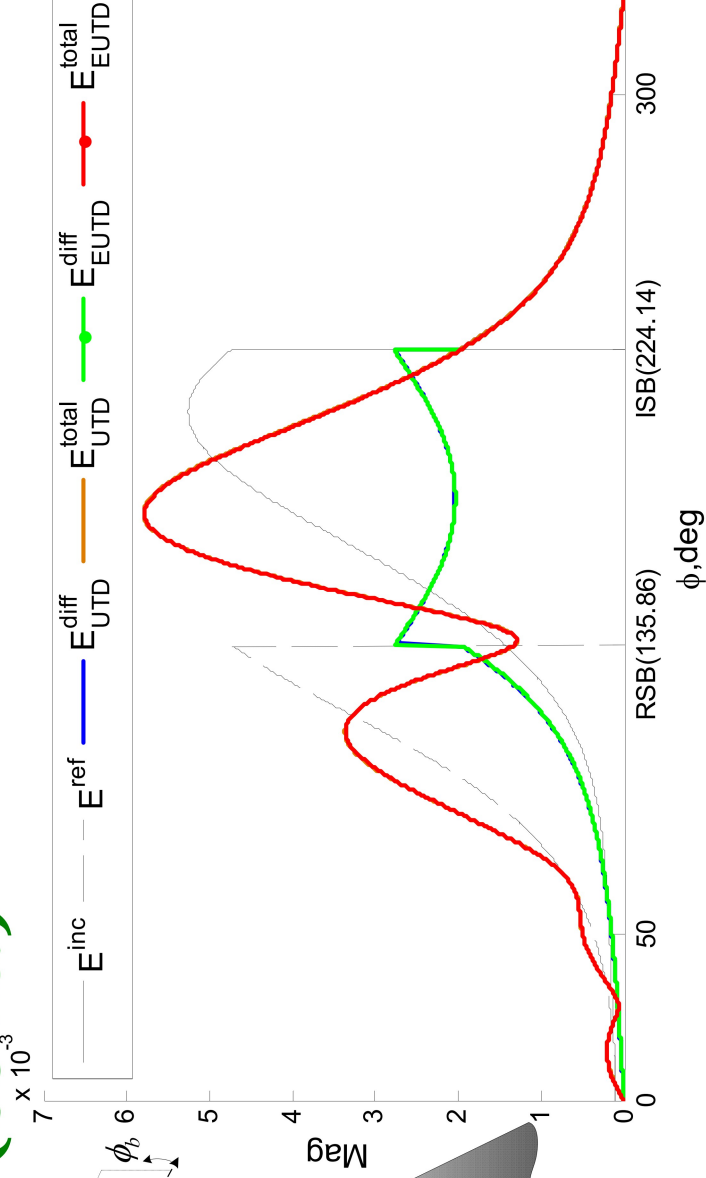
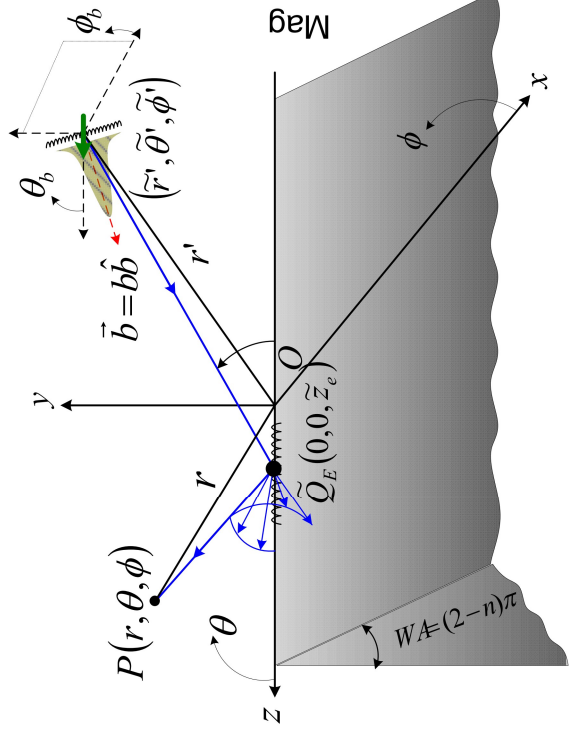
Therefore, analytic continuation of UTD for a wedge is OK for complex waves

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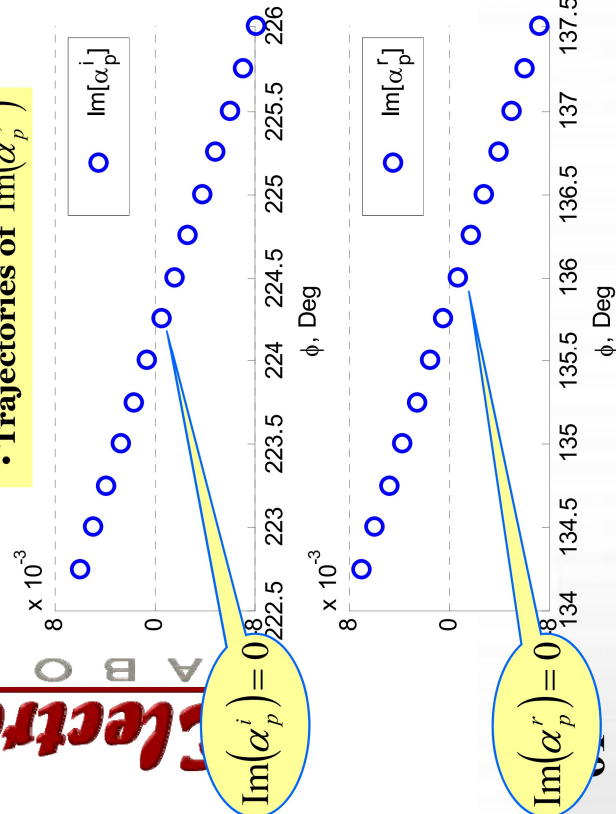
# Complex Source Beam (CSB) Diffraction by a Wedge (cont.)

## Numerical Result 1

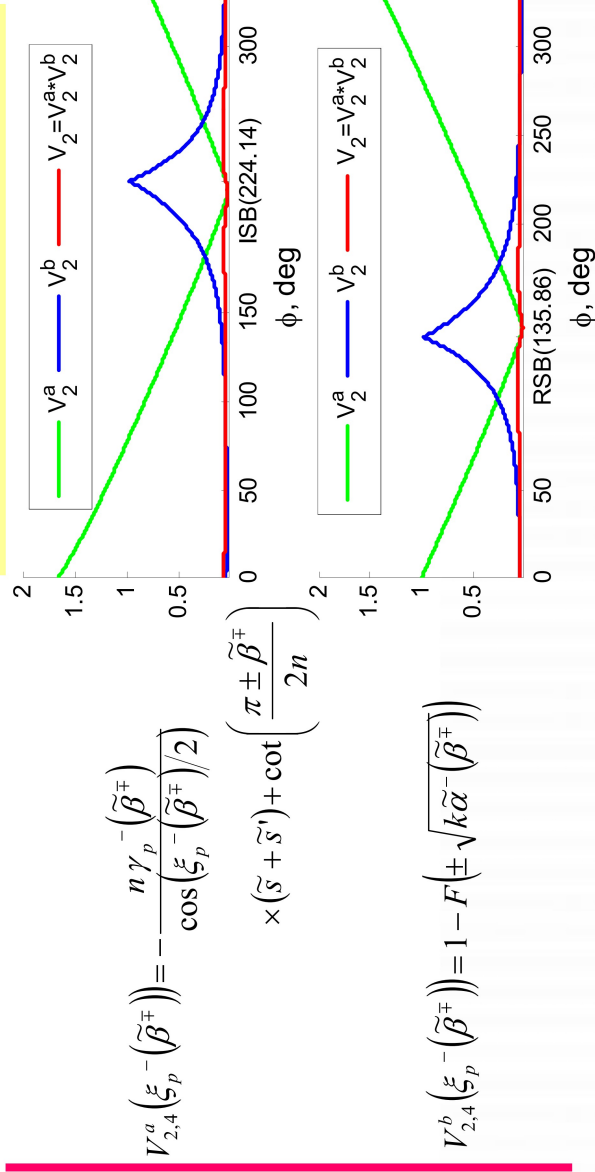
$WA = 30^\circ$   
 $r' = 5\lambda$   
 $\theta' = 140^\circ$   
 $\phi' = 50^\circ$   
 $b = 10\lambda$   
 $\theta_b = 60.6^\circ$   
 $\phi_b = 217.4^\circ$   
 $r = 2\lambda$   
 $\theta = 45^\circ$   
 $\hat{p}^{i,r} = \pm \hat{z}$



### Trajectories of $\text{Im}(\alpha_p^{i,r})$



### Additional term in EUTD solution



$$V_{2,4}^a(\xi_p^-(\tilde{\beta}^\pm)) = -\frac{n\gamma_p^-(\tilde{\beta}^\pm)}{\cos(\xi_p^-(\tilde{\beta}^\pm)/2)} \times (\tilde{s} + \tilde{s}') + \cot\left(\frac{\pi \pm \tilde{\beta}^\pm}{2n}\right)$$

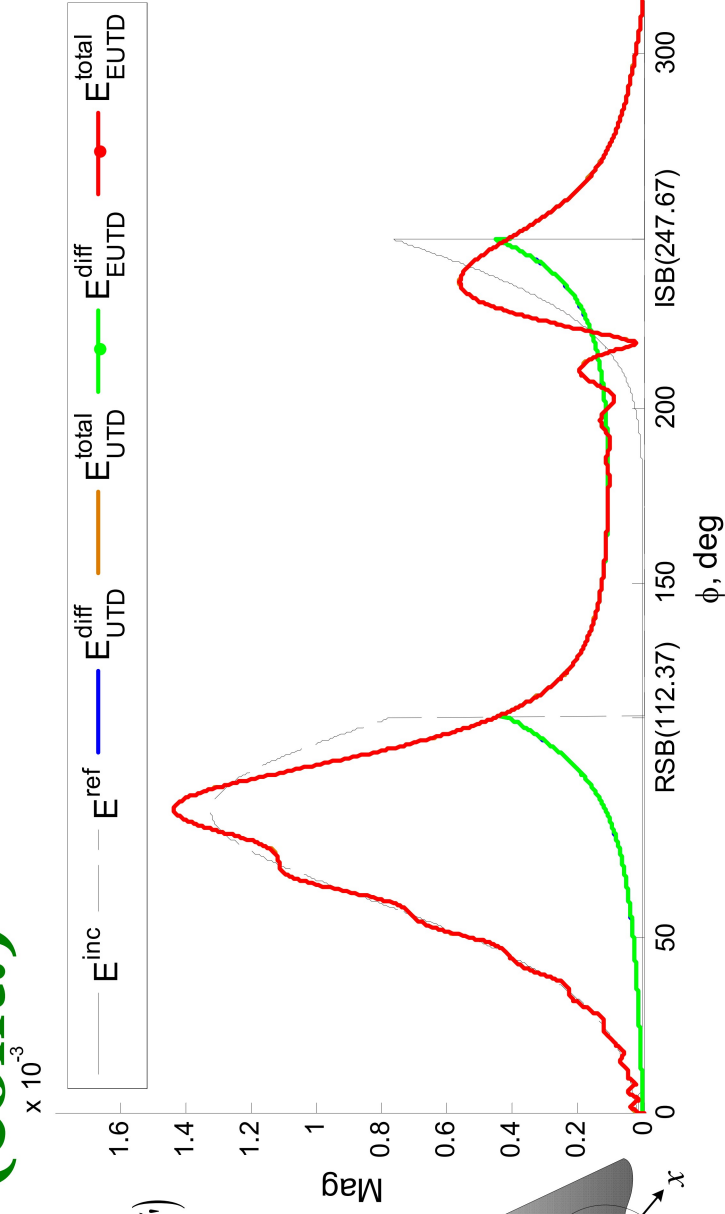
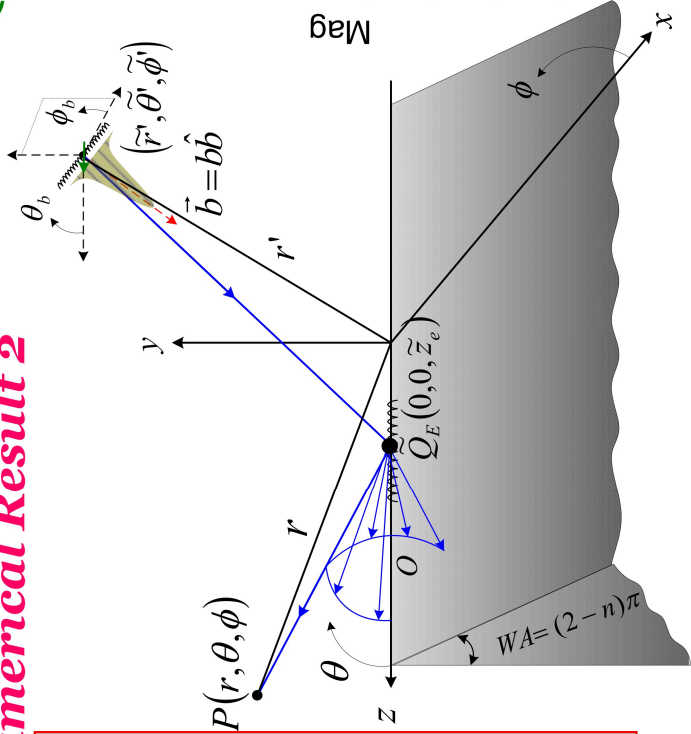
$$V_{2,4}^b(\xi_p^-(\tilde{\beta}^\pm)) = 1 - F(\pm \sqrt{k\tilde{\alpha}^-(\tilde{\beta}^\pm)})$$



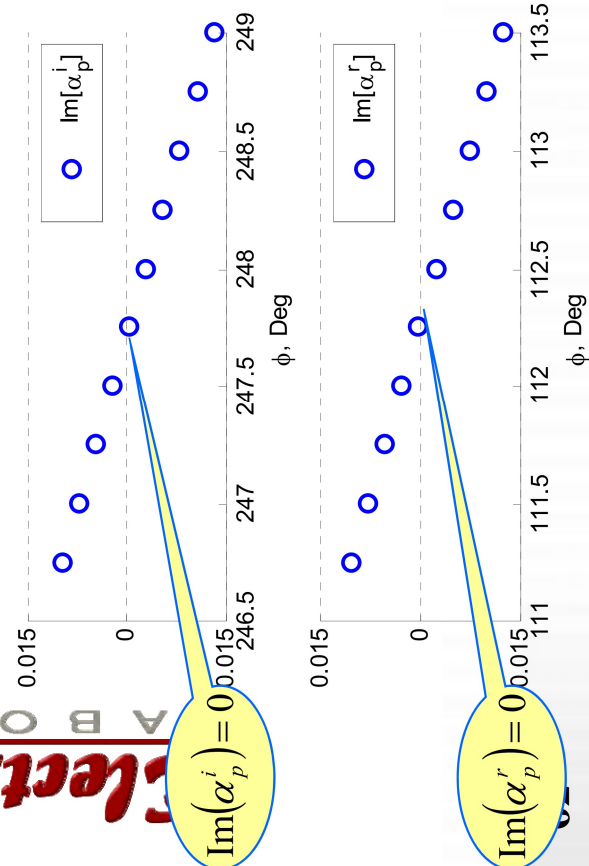
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## Numerical Result 2

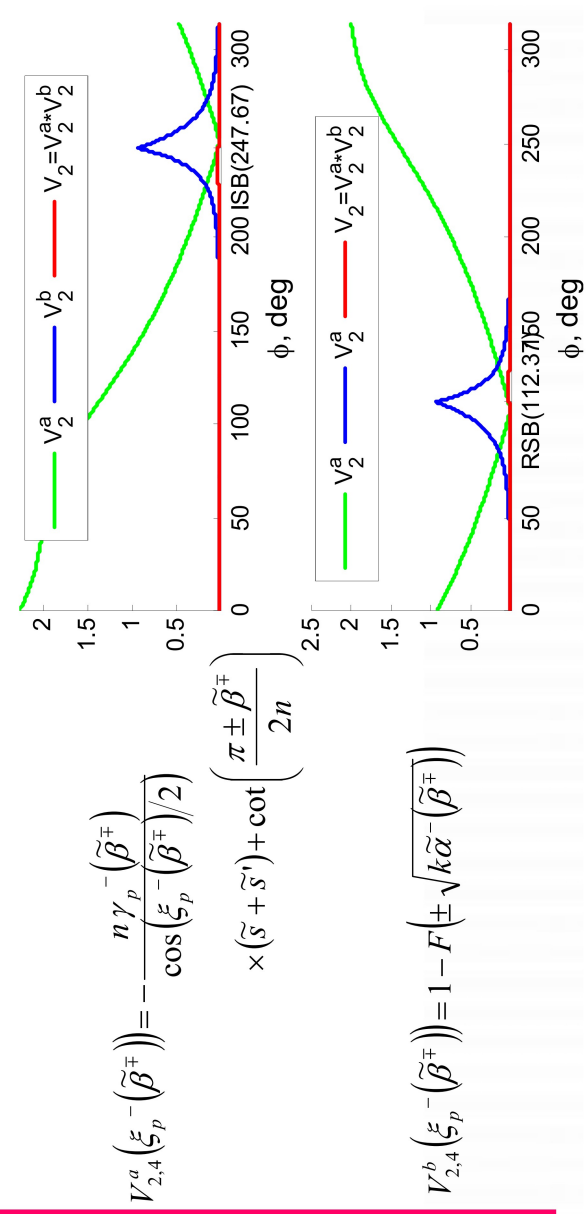
$WA = 45^\circ$   
 $r' = 20\lambda$   
 $\theta' = 100^\circ$   
 $\phi' = 70^\circ$   
 $b = 10\lambda$   
 $\theta_b = 78.57^\circ$   
 $\phi_b = 258.57^\circ$   
 $r = 12\lambda$   
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 $\hat{p}^{i,r} = \pm \hat{z}$



### Trajectories of $\text{Im}(\alpha_p^{i,r})$



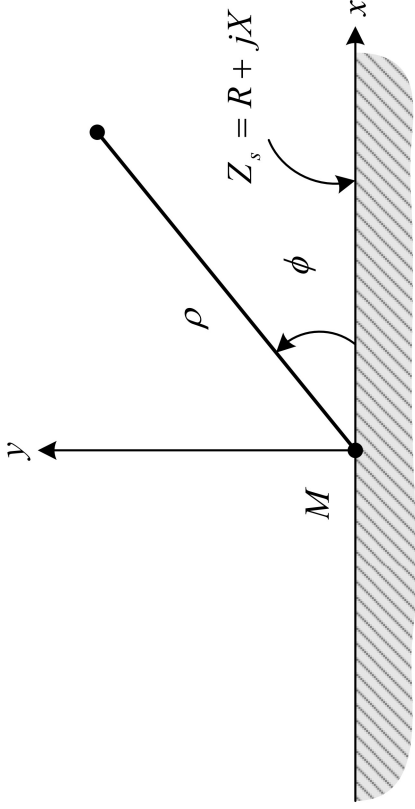
### Additional term in EUTD solution



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$$V_{2,4}^b(\xi_p^-(\tilde{\beta}^+)) = 1 - F(\pm \sqrt{k\tilde{\alpha}^-(\tilde{\beta}^+)})$$

# Other Complex Waves



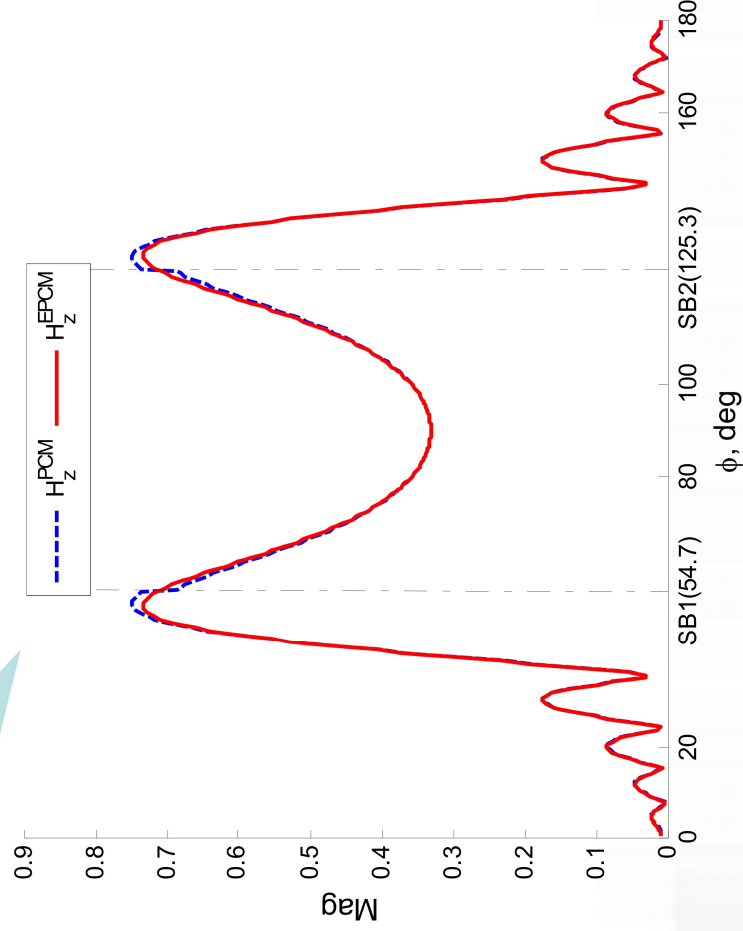
$$\alpha_{p1,p2} = -\sqrt{2}e^{-j\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin \frac{\xi_{p1,p2} - \phi}{2}$$

Shadow boundaries are determined when

$$\text{Im } \alpha_{p1,p2} = 0$$

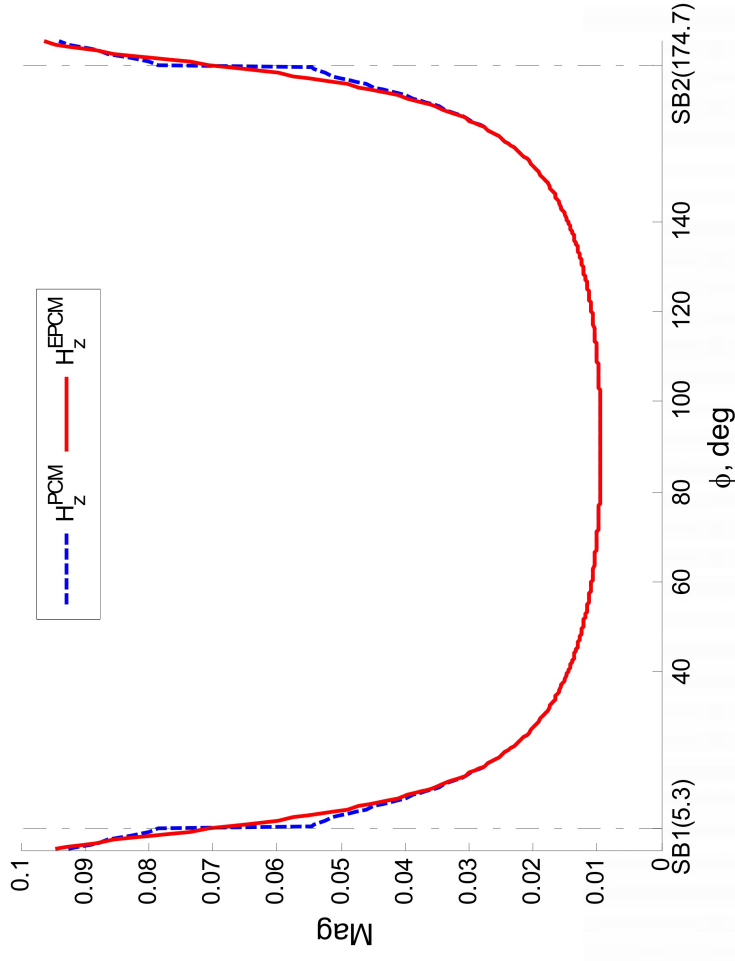
Leaky Wave

$$(Z_s = -327.94 - j17.79)$$



Surface Wave

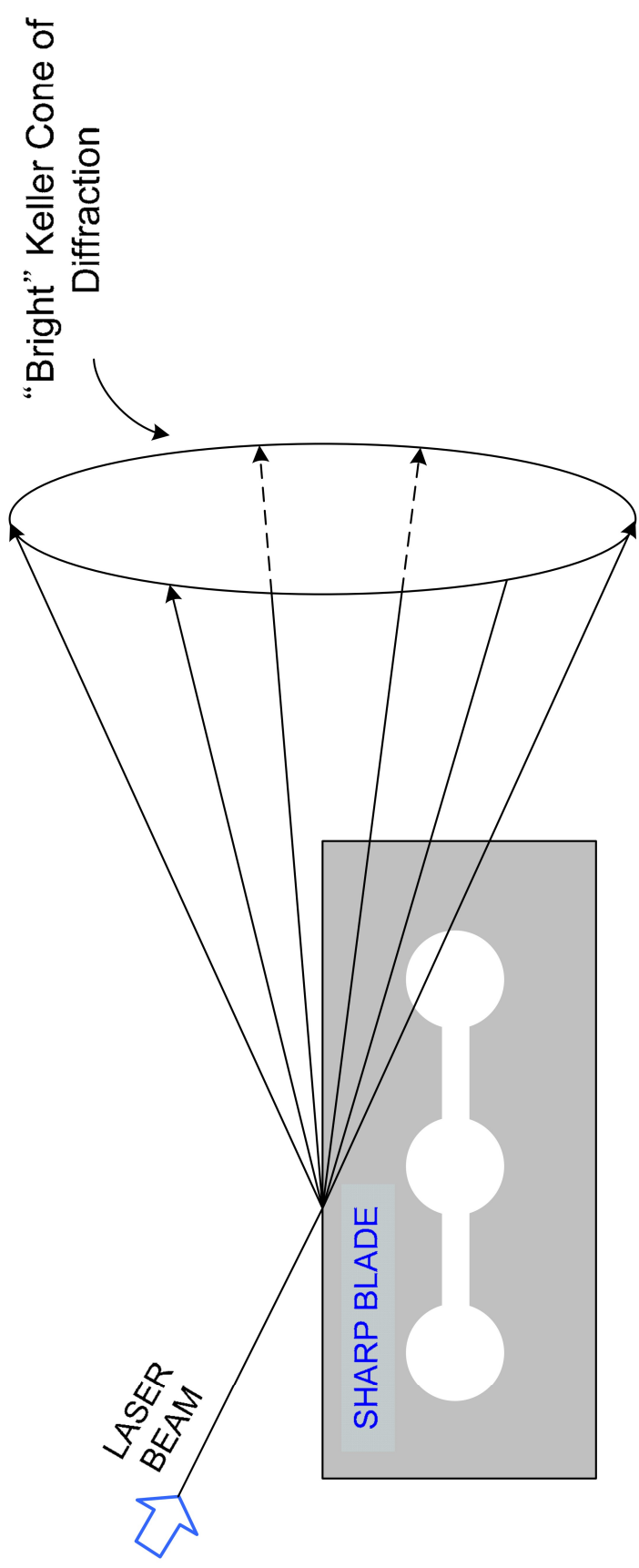
$$(Z_s = j35.58)$$



# Keller Cone of Edge Diffraction



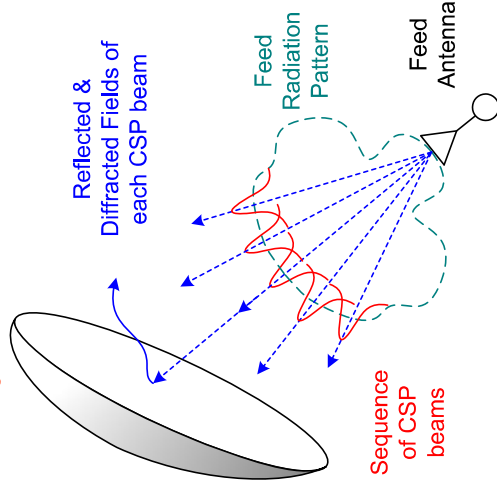
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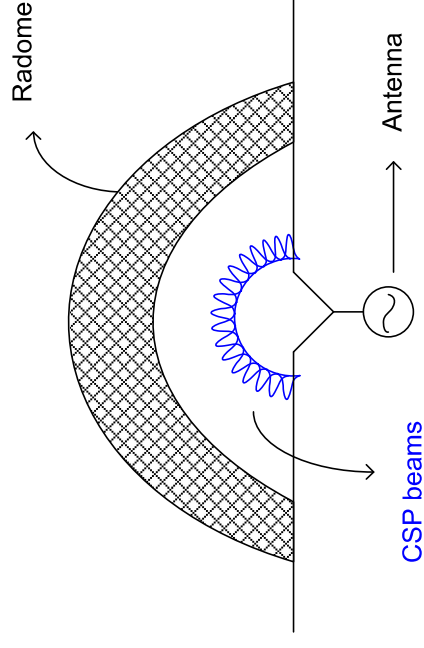
Laser beam incident in the plane of the sharp blade

# Large Antenna Applications

**Fast analysis of the reflector antennas.**



**Antenna radiation in the presence of radomes.**



A GB-UTD (PO based) method was previously reported in [1].

With the CSP method, feed pattern is expanded into a set of **CSBs**.

Each CSP beam field is scattered from the reflector by using complex extension of UTD.

A 2-D case for a single beam illumination was reported in [2].

This new fully 3-D CSP-UTD approach (UTD for beams) is expected to be more accurate than [1].

- The field of the antenna is first expanded into a set of CSP beams.

- Each beam is next tracked through the radome.

- The transmitted beams are summed up at the observer location.

- Complex ray tracing can be employed for beam tracking through the radome [3,4].

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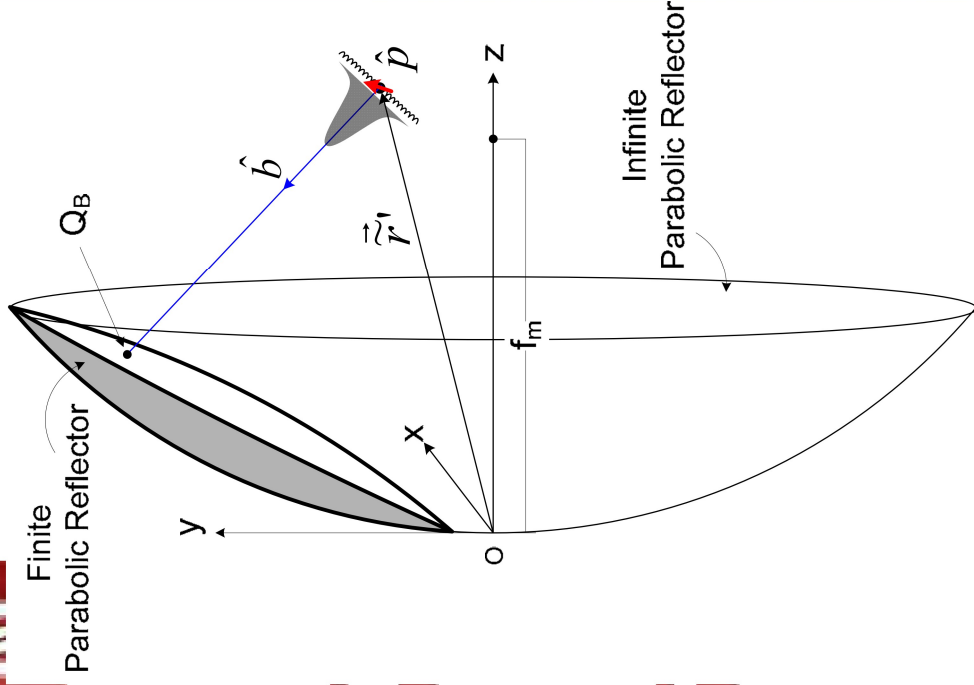
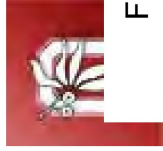
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# CSB-UTD Diffraction by a Curved Wedge

$$z = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{4f_m}$$



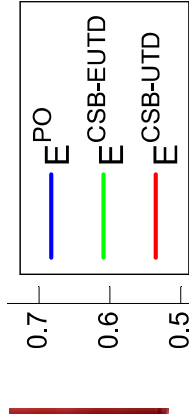
- The **present CSB-UTD & CSB-EUTD solution** for a CSB excited PEC curved wedge is obtained by analytically continuing the UTD solution for a PEC curved wedge excited by a real point source (or even real astigmatic ray) to deal with a CSB (or even more generally a complex astigmatic beam, i.e. CAB) illumination of a curved edge in a curved surface.
  - The CSB reflected from doubly curved surface become an astigmatic Gaussian beam in paraxial region.
- The **CSB-UTD solution** is valid for analyzing CSB excited focus-fed parabolic reflector antennas since the caustics are now in complex space for the CSB excitation case.
  - The **PO analysis for a CSB excited** parabolic reflector (a) **loses its accuracy** in the region of the main beam when a CSB axis hits near the edge. → can be improved by adding the additional edge diffraction term based on Physical Theory of Diffraction (PTD). (b) **becomes more accurate** when a CSB axis hits the actual reflector surface away from the edge.



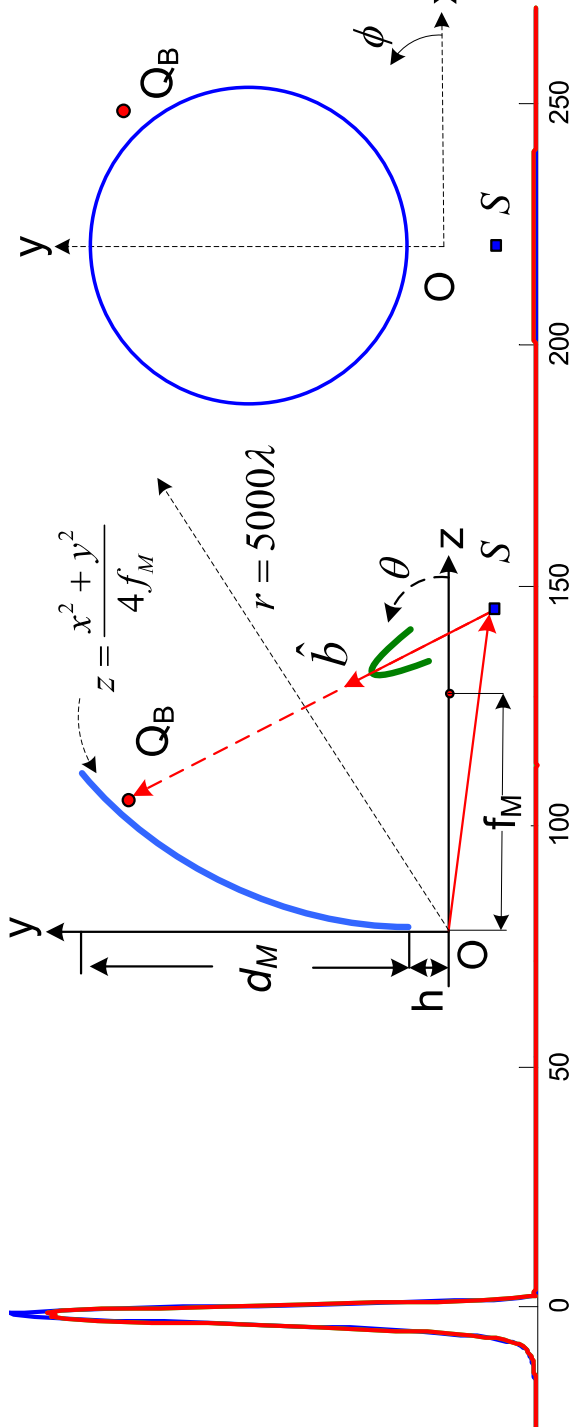
# CSB-UTD Diffraction by a Curved Wedge (cont.)

**Numerical Result : Finite parabolic reflector illuminated by a CSB**

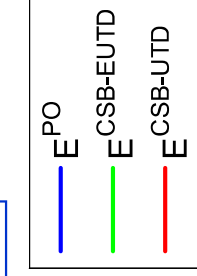
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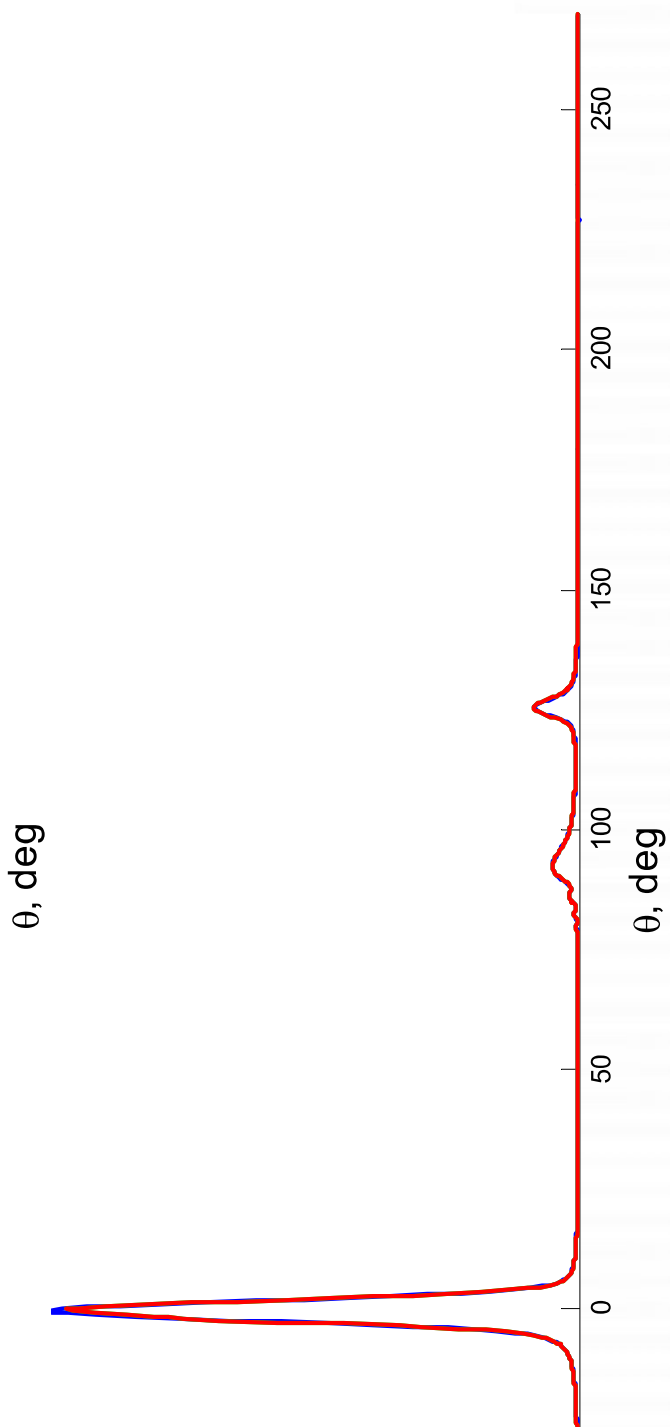
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Symmetry Plane



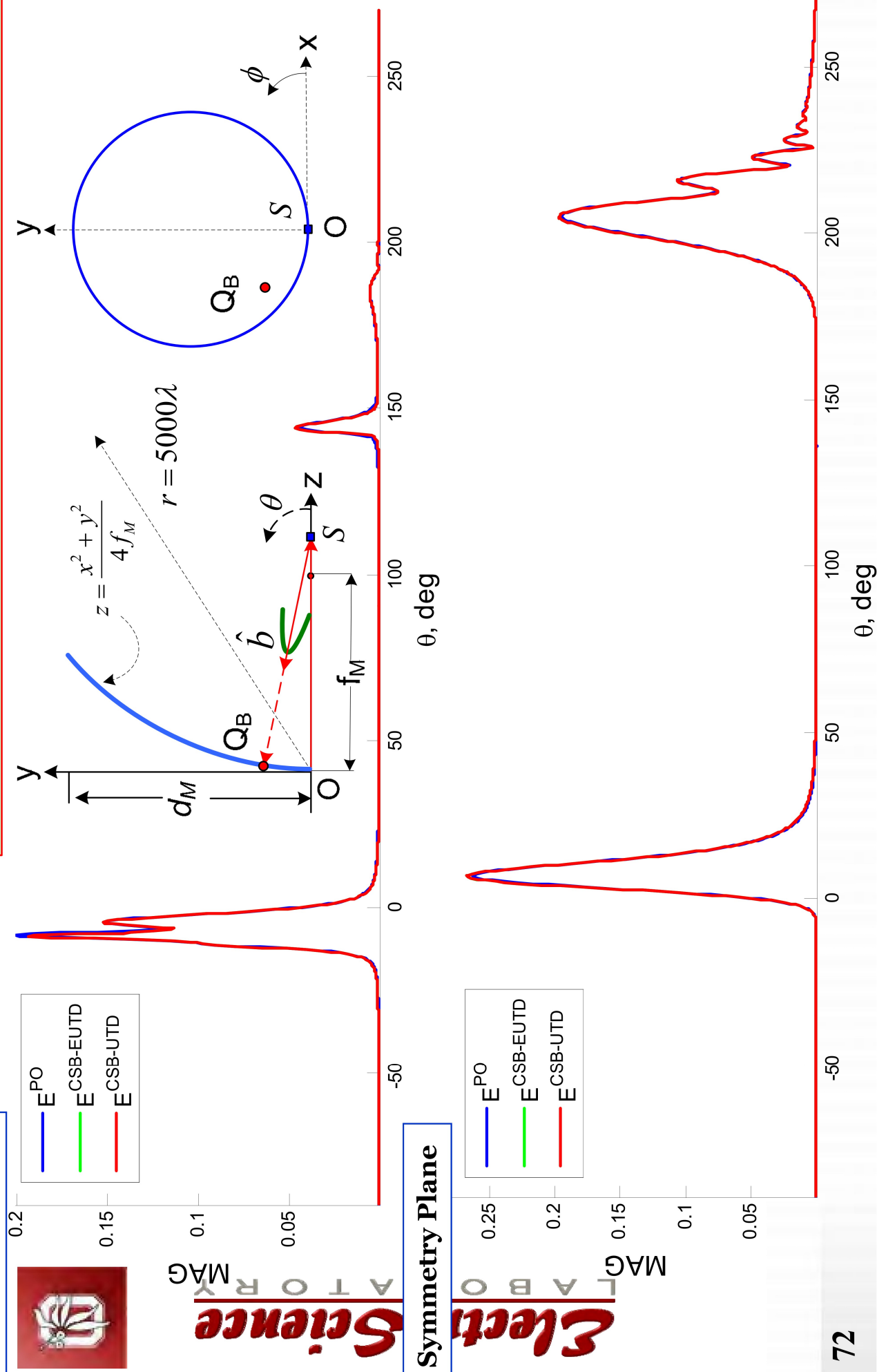
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# CSB-UTD Diffraction by a Curved Wedge (cont.)

**Numerical Result** : Finite parabolic reflector illuminated by a CSB

$d_M = 50\lambda$ ,  $f_M = 30\lambda$ ,  $b = 10\lambda$ ,  $\hat{p} = \hat{x}$   $Q_B = (-17\lambda, 10\lambda)$ ,  $S = (40\lambda, 0^\circ, 90^\circ)$

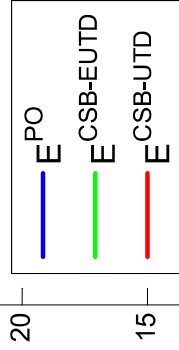




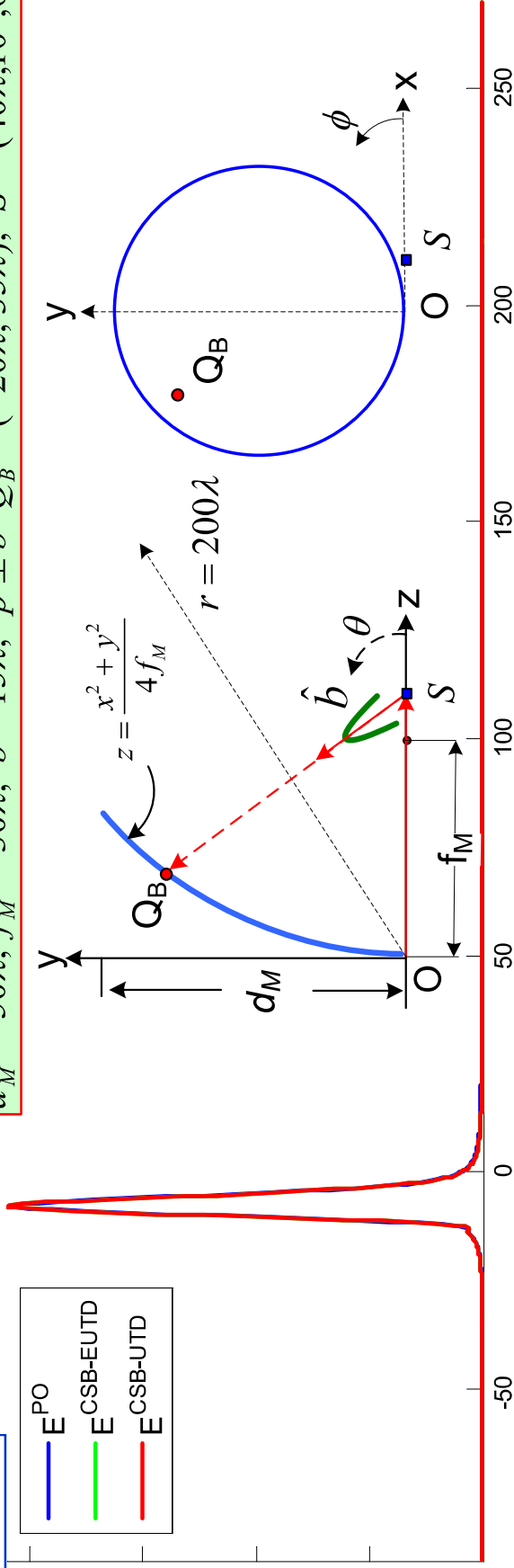
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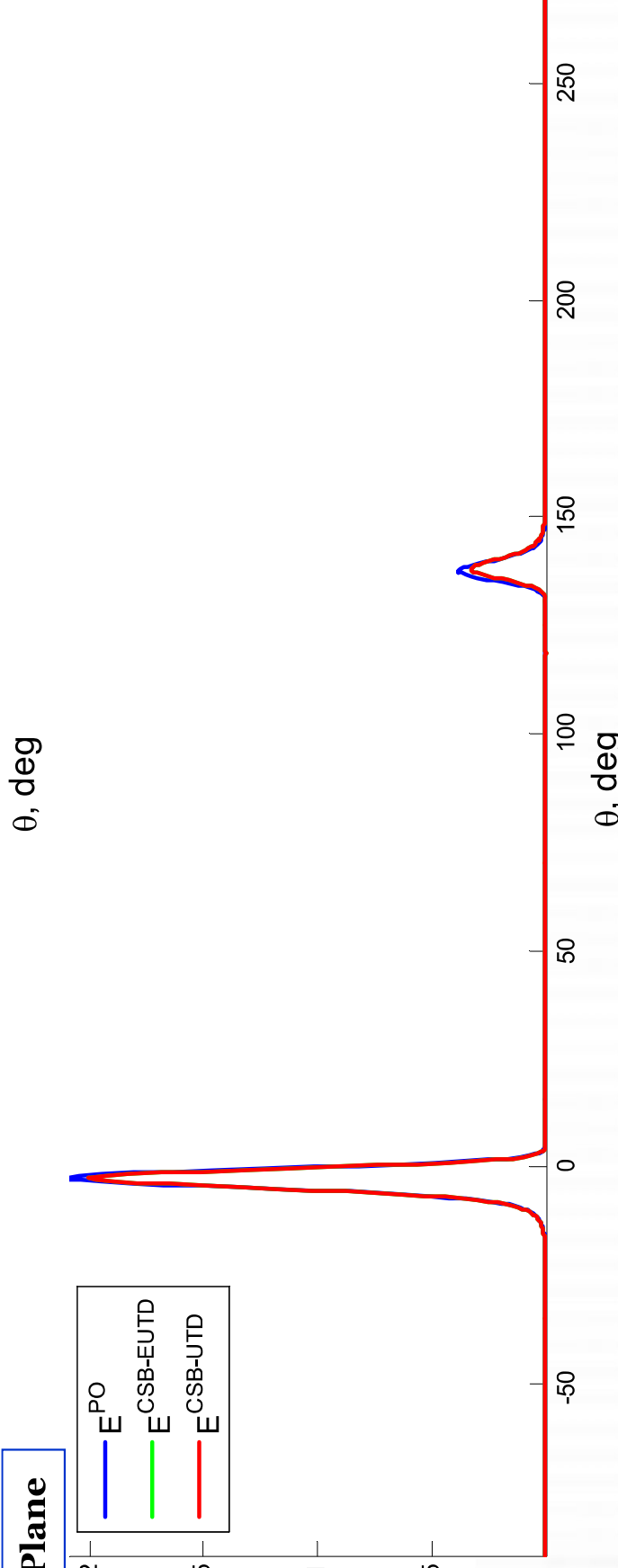
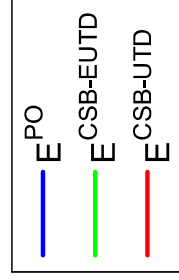


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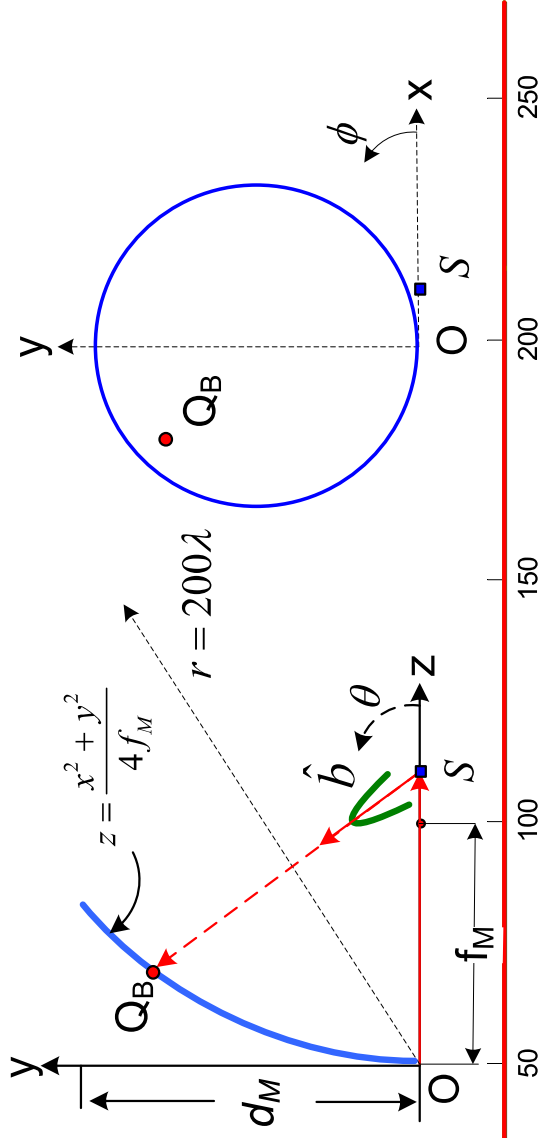


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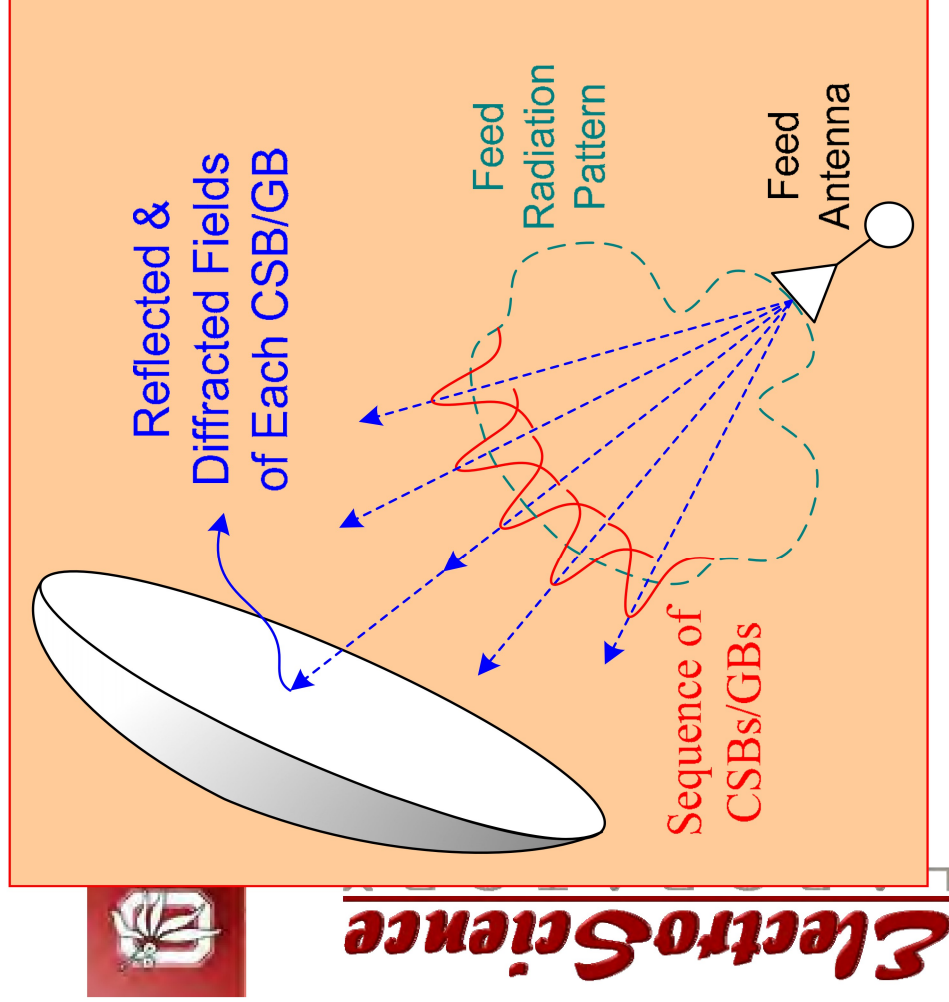
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$$d_M = 50\lambda, f_M = 30\lambda, b = 15\lambda, \hat{p} \perp \hat{b} \quad Q_B = (-20\lambda, 35\lambda), S = (40\lambda, 10^\circ, 0^\circ)$$



# CSBs/GBs Illuminating a reflector



$$\bar{H}_f^i(\bar{r}_f) \sim \frac{e^{-jkr_f}}{r_f} [\hat{\theta}_f F_\theta(\hat{r}_f) + \hat{\phi}_f F_\phi(\hat{r}_f)]$$

$$\bar{E}_f^i(\bar{r}_f) \sim -Y_0 \hat{r}_f \times \bar{H}_f^i(\bar{r}_f)$$

Feed Radiation

$$\bar{H}_f^i(\bar{r}_f) \cong \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^M C_{nm} \bar{H}_{nm}(\bar{r}_{fnm}) e^{j\psi_{nm}}$$

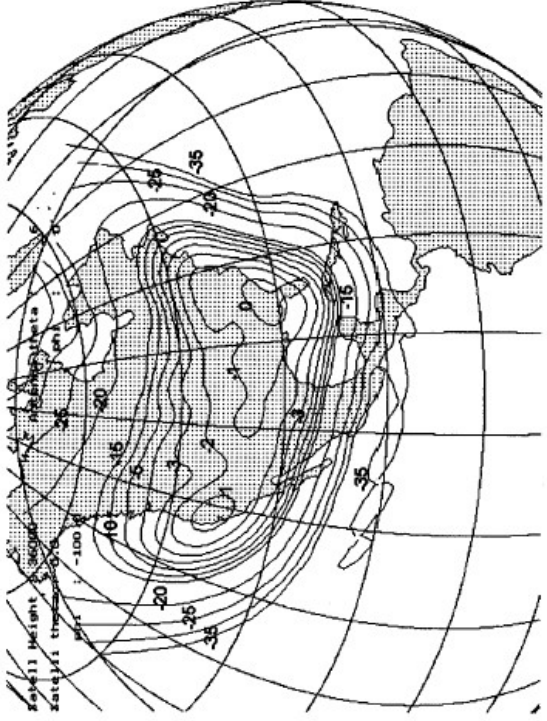
GB Expansion

n = launching points in feed plane  
 m = number of GBs from each n

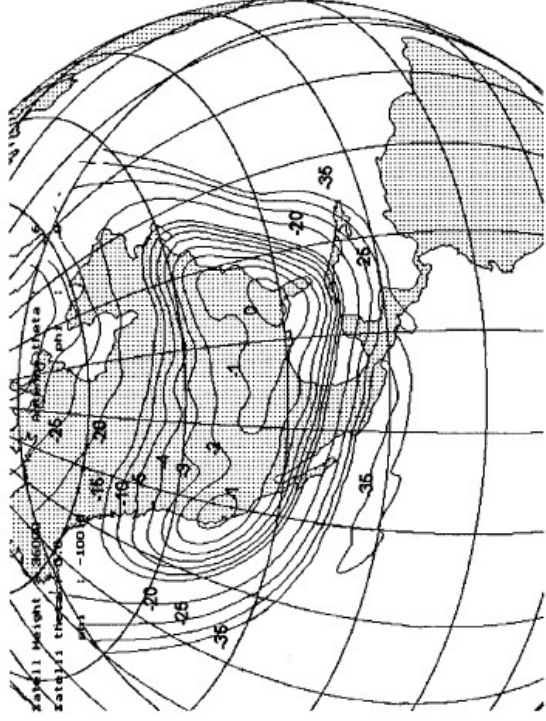
# Offset Shaped Reflector for CONUS Contour Beam Using GBs



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Normalized co-polarized contours based on the GB approach CONUS coverage by a shaped concave reflector with a feed pattern at 12 GHz with  $l = 18.51$ . Approximately 200GBs were used.



Normalized co-polarized gain contours based on the numerical PO integration approach for the same shaped reflector case as above.

$$D = 85\lambda$$

< 200 GBs

Time < 5 min/iter

NUM-PO

Time = 5 or 6 hrs/iter

Approx. 30 iter's\*

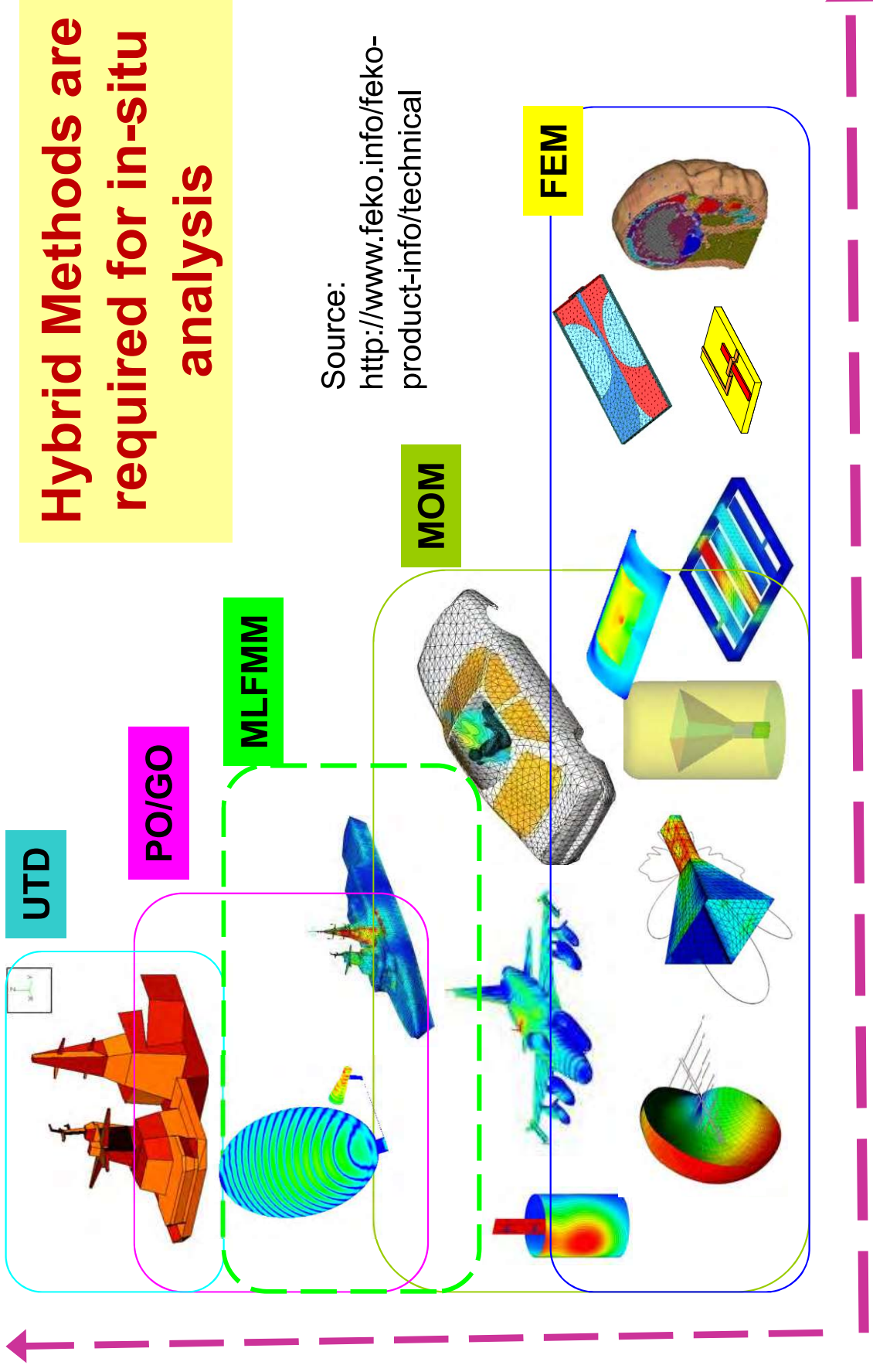
\* Rahmat-Samii's paper

# Conclusions

- CSB expansion methods for EM radiation are presented employing three different variants of the surface equivalence theorem.
- The analytical properties (validity region, truncation, etc.) of the approach are investigated.
- It is shown that accurate and efficient field representations can be obtained by conveniently truncating the beam expansion.
- It is demonstrated that the expansion idea is applicable to a class of EM radiation/scattering problems.



# Computational Methods



Hybrid Methods are required for in-situ analysis

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# Hybrid Method & Some Applications



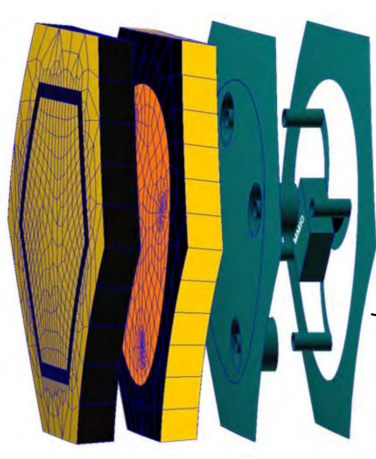
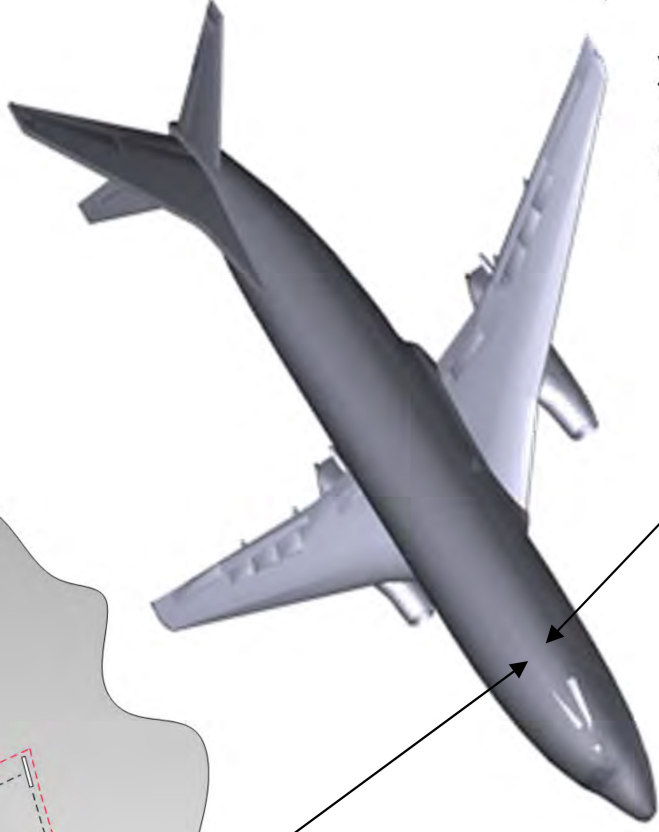
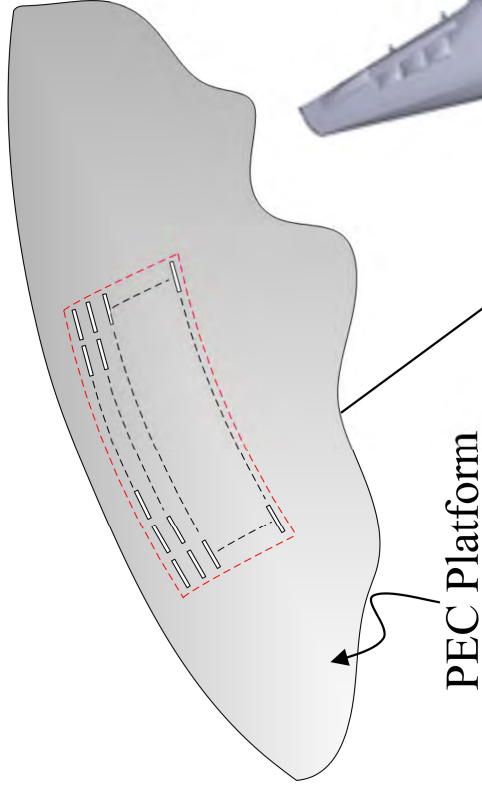
- In many applications, large antennas (arrays) and large antenna platforms contain both large and small features in terms of wavelength.
- For electrically large parts on radiating object, UTD ray method is useful but not valid for electrically small portions.
- For highly inhomogeneous and electrically small region (e.g. complex antenna elements/arrays) the FE-BI or numerical methods are useful, and UTD is not applicable here.
- A hybrid combination of FE-BI (or other suitable numerical methods) and UTD could handle the entire problem not otherwise tractable by each single approach by itself.

# Conformal Array Configurations



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Simple slot phased array in a convex PEC surface



Radome Cover  
Flush with Platform

Antenna Array  
Elements

Material  
Treatment

Tapered  
Absorber

PEC Platform

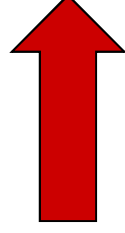
Complex phased antenna array slightly recessed in a convex platform and covered by a radome

# Proposed Hybrid Numerical-UTD Approach

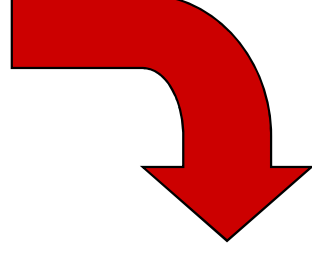


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**Local Array Part**  
treated by full wave  
numerical methods.



**Present Collective  
UTD Solution**  
converts numerical  
array solution into  
rays launched from  
array aperture.



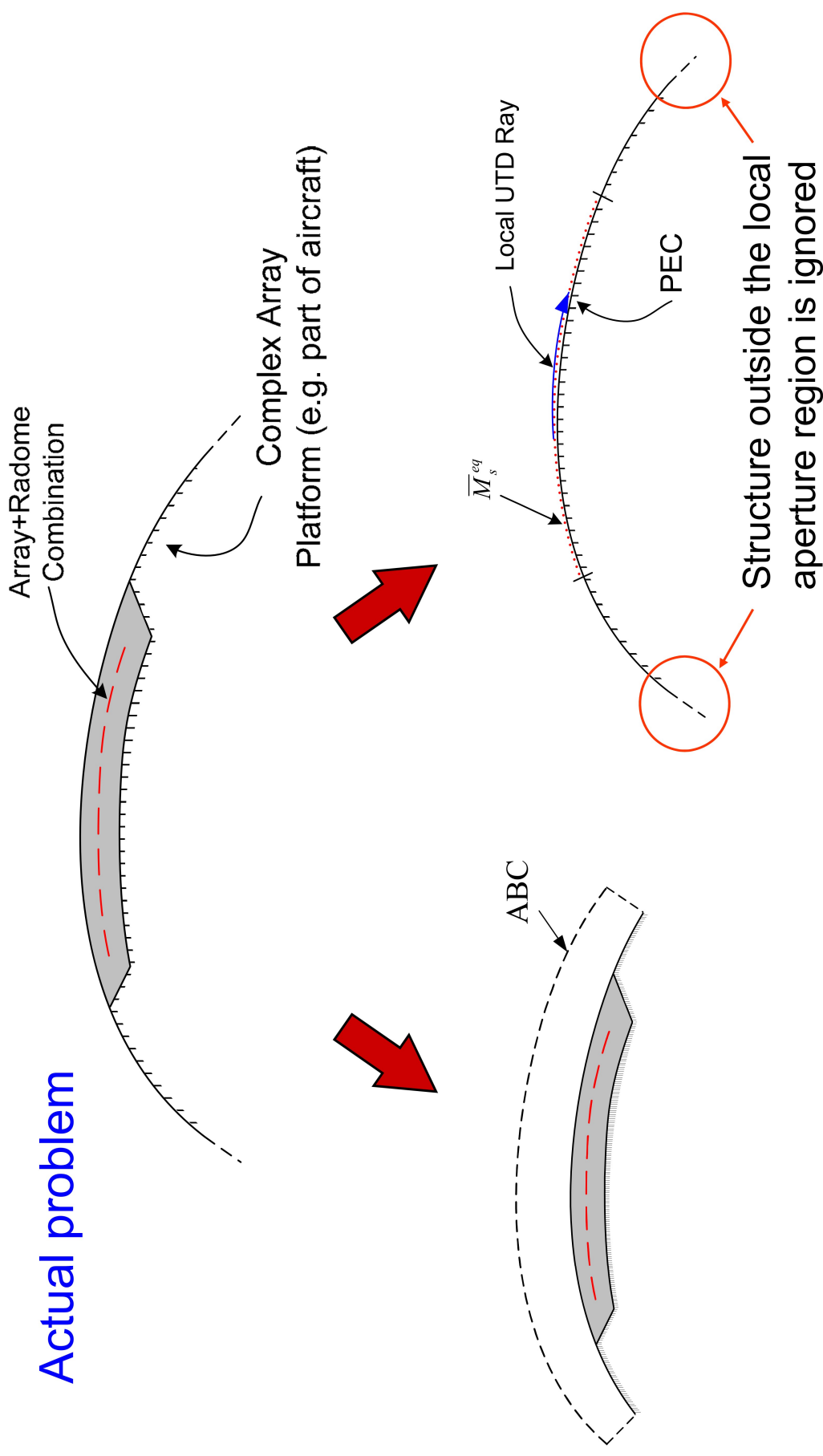
**External Platform Part**  
Collective UTD rays launched  
from aperture efficiently  
excite external platform which  
is analyzed by UTD.



# Local Array Part Treated by FEM, FE-BI



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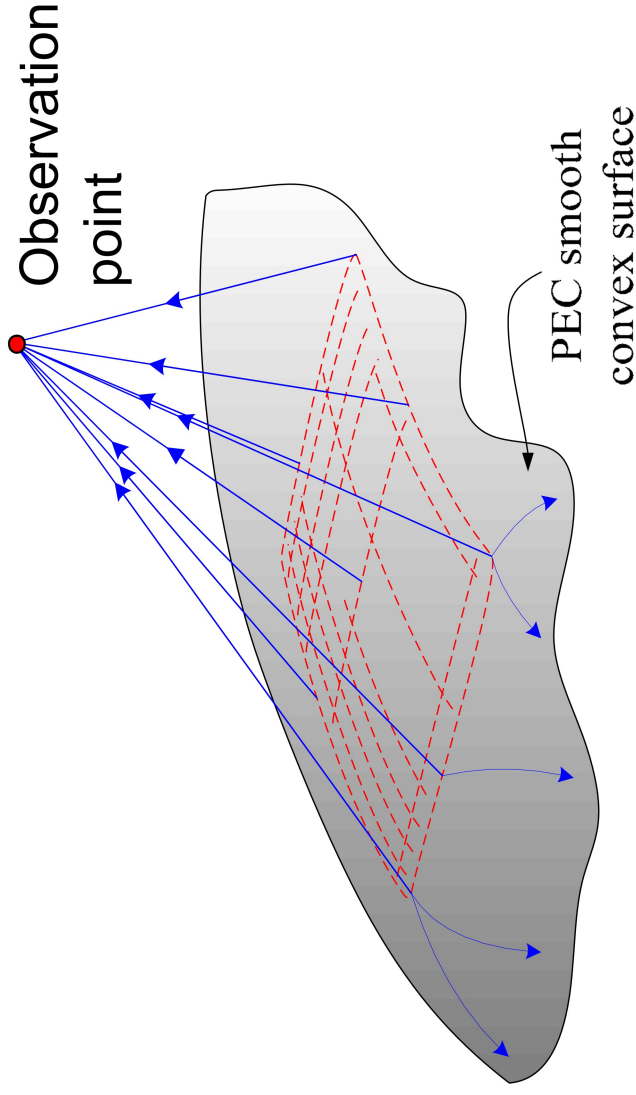


A local array modeling  
for FEM

A local array modeling  
for FE-BI

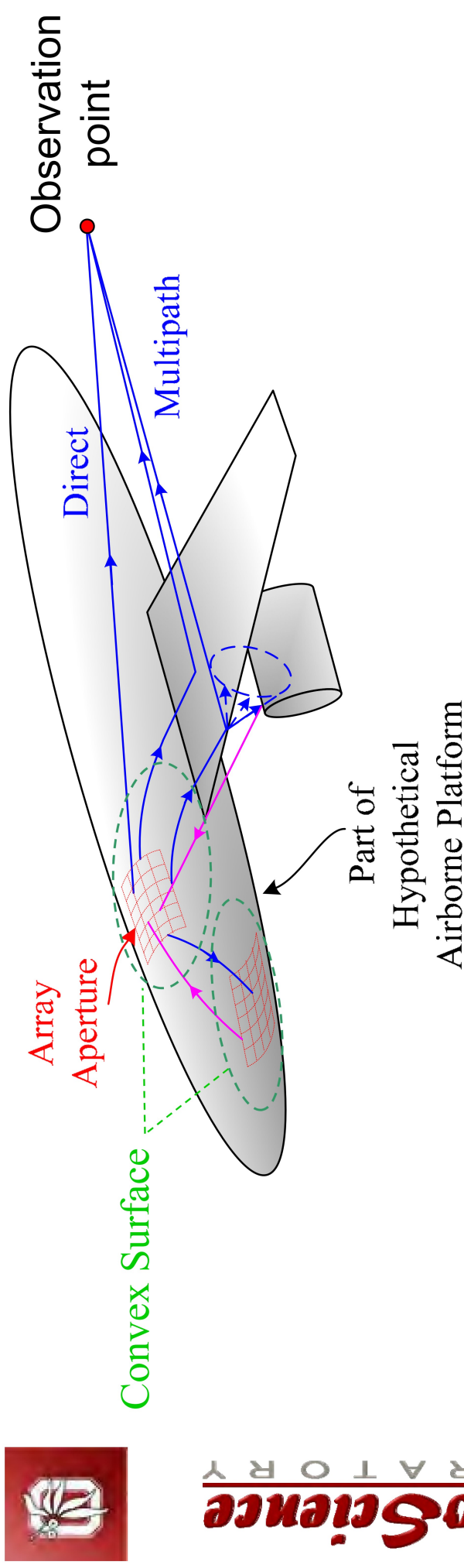
## Collective UTD Rays

Panuwat Janpugdee and Prabhakar H. Pathak



- Collective UTD rays launched by array aperture distribution obtained via numerical solution to local array part.
- Collective UTD rays launched from a few flash points in the array aperture.

# External Platform Interaction Part

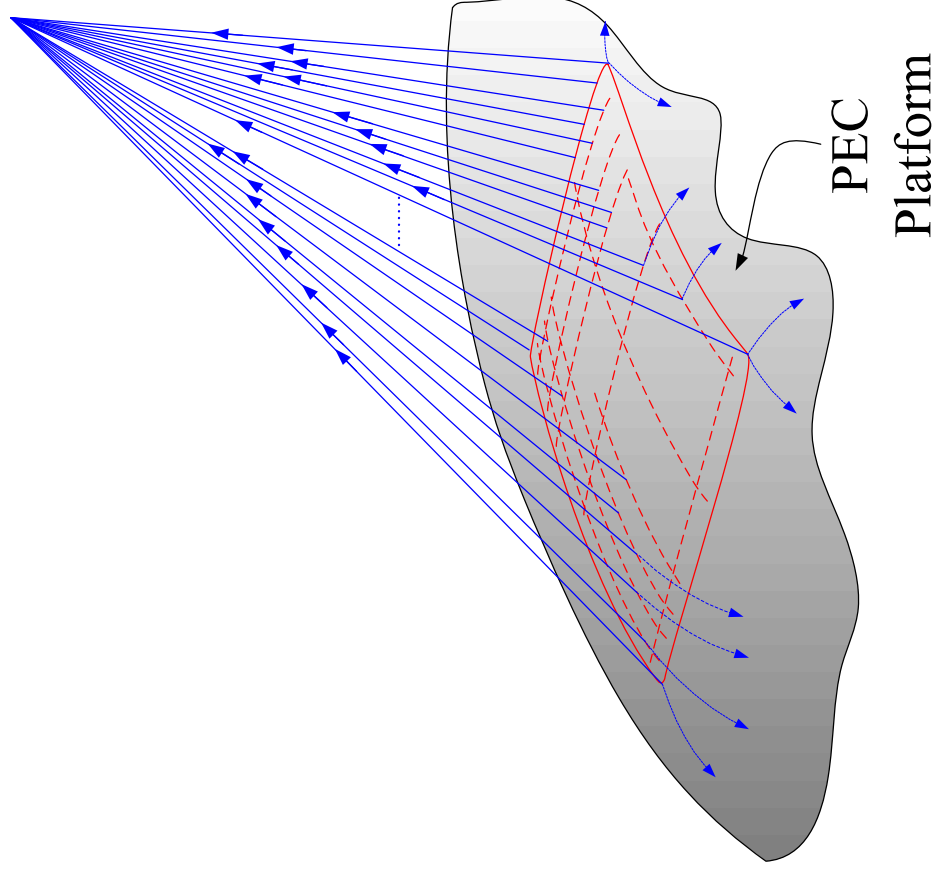


- Collective UTD rays efficiently launched from array aperture interact with external platform.
- Rays from platform could interact back with the array and so on. These effects can be included if desired.
- Collective UTD surface rays provide direct coupling between two arrays located on the same platform.

# Comparison with Conventional Element-by-Element UTD Field Summation Approach



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Less efficient for large arrays – need to trace a large number of rays (with all the **constructive & destructive interference** effects).

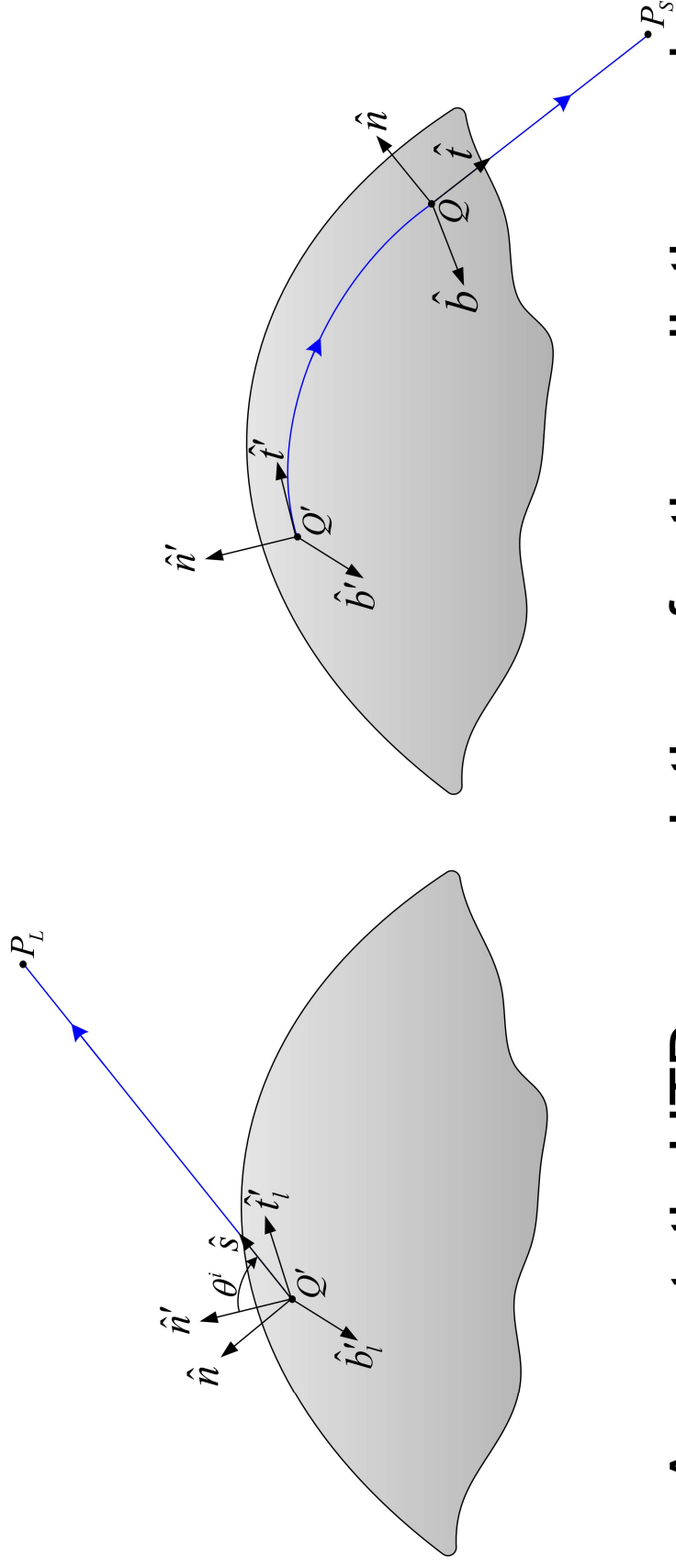
**Lacks physical picture** for describing collective array radiation and surface field excitation mechanisms.

Integration to existing UTD codes for predicting the platform interaction effects via UTD is straightforward – but less efficient.

# Conventional EBE Sum Utilizes UTD Solution for a Single Current Source



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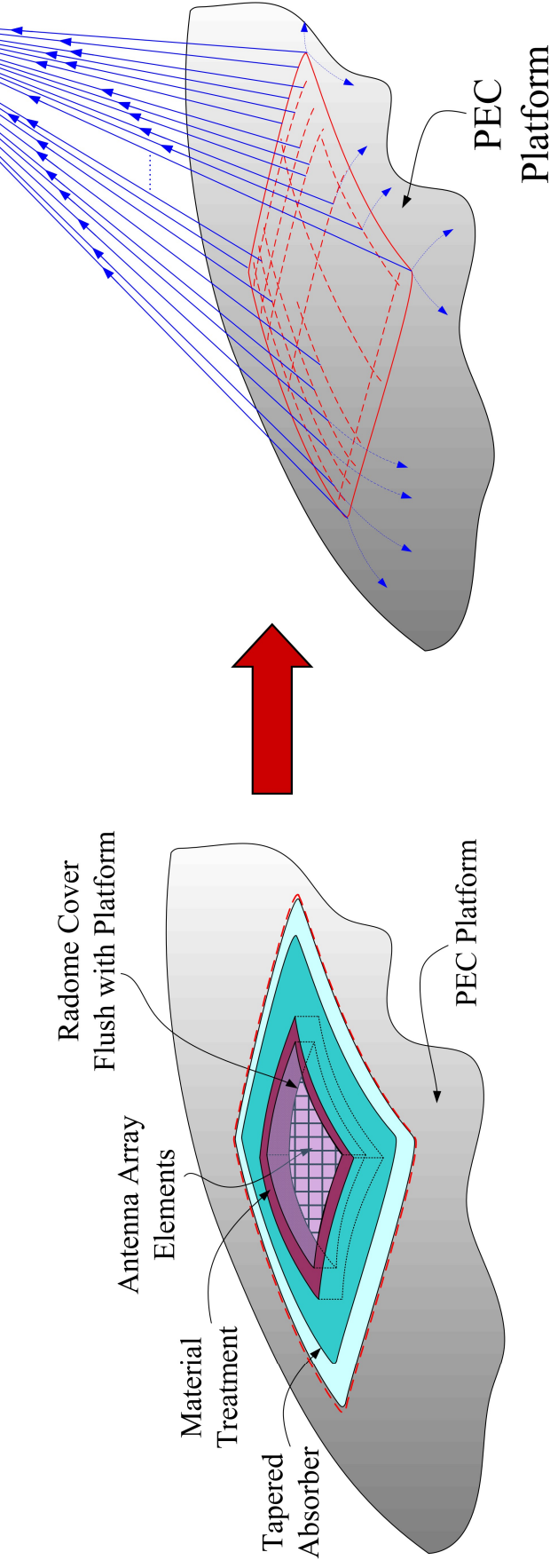
- Asymptotic UTD ray solutions for the radiation and surface fields produced by a **single point current source** on a smooth convex surface have been developed previously by Pathak *et al.*

Pathak *et al.*, *IEEE Trans. AP*, vol. AP-29, pp. 609-622, Jul. 1981.

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# Example of a LARGE Array

## Hypothetical Example



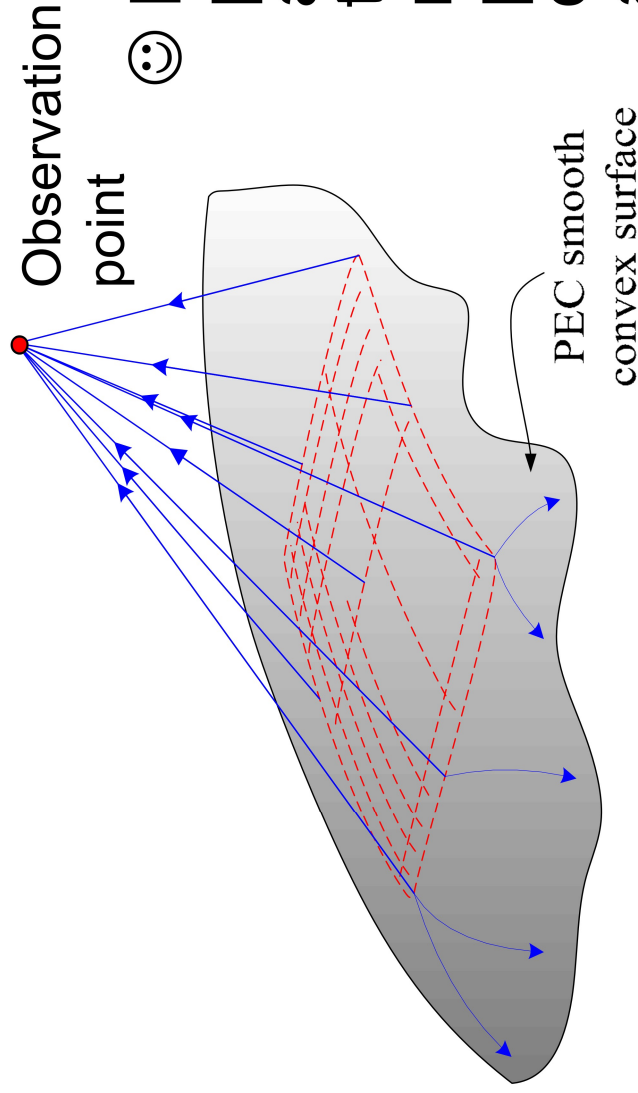
- Antenna array operated at 25 GHz (K-band);  $\lambda = 1.2$  cm
- Aperture size = 1 ft.  $\times$  1 ft. = 25.4  $\lambda$   $\times$  25.4  $\lambda$
- If sampling at every  $\lambda/4$ , one needs  $\approx 102 \times 102$  (10,404) sample points and needs to trace such large number of rays.
- Conventional UTD approach becomes less efficient than collective UTD approach.



# Present Collective UTD Ray Approach



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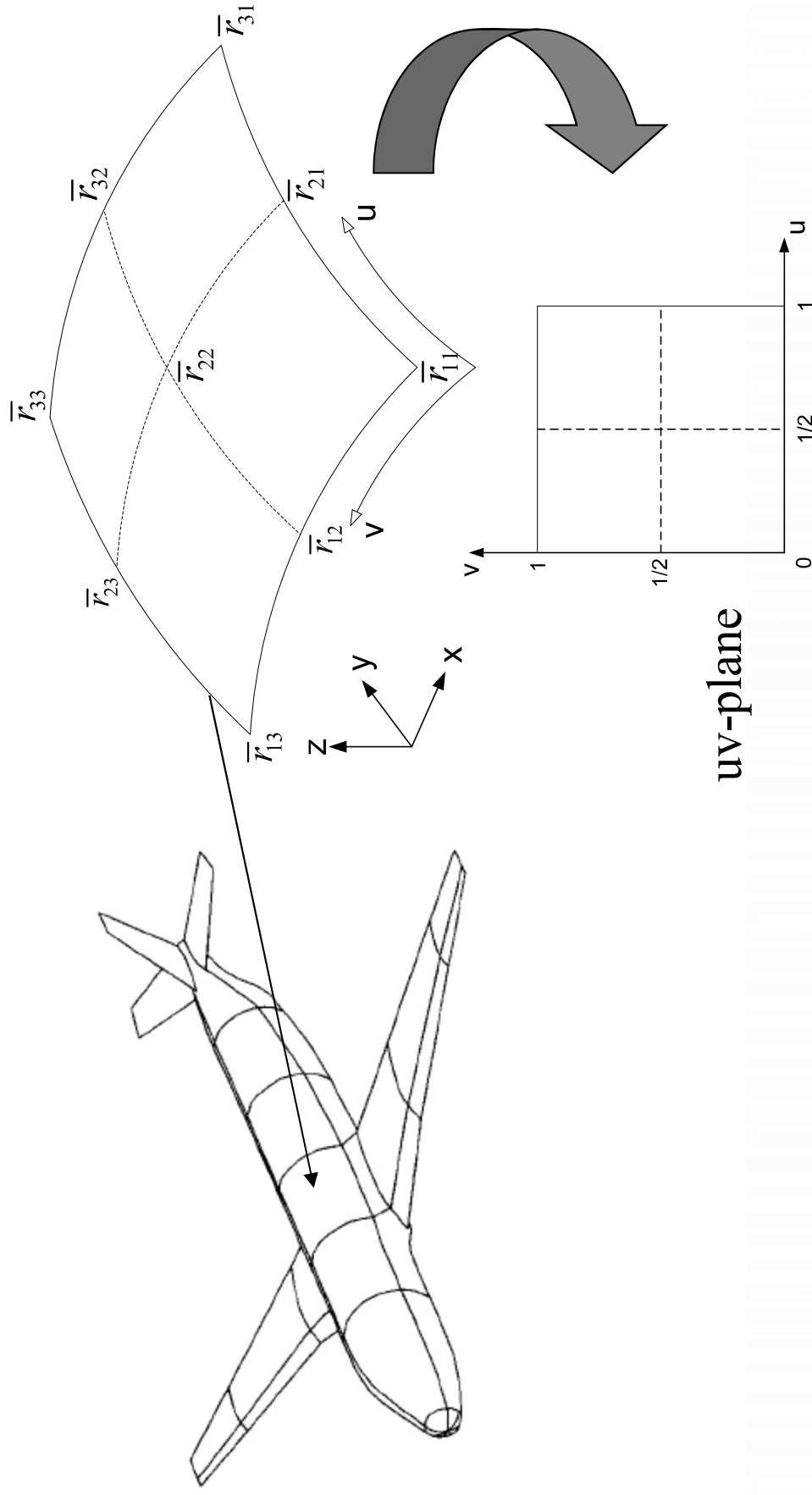


- ☺ Describes fields produced by the whole array aperture at once in terms of only a few UTD rays arising from specific points in the interior, and on the boundary of the array aperture – **highly efficient**.

- ☺ Provides **physical picture** for describing collective array radiation and surface field excitation mechanisms.
- ☹ Integration to most existing UTD codes for predicting the platform interaction effects via UTD is not direct because it requires some code modifications to allow for a new input description.

# Curved Surface Modeling

- A scanning phased array on a slowly varying convex platform can be modeled by a parametric surface patch, such as a **bi-quadratic** surface, etc.

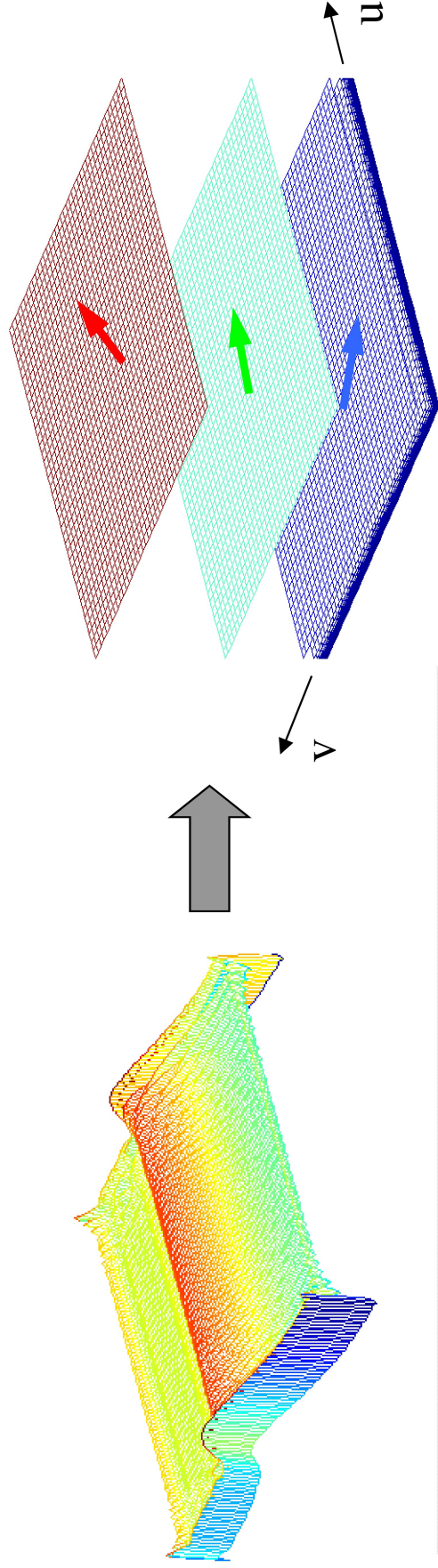




# Traveling Wave Expansion



- A traveling wave (TW) expansion for realistic aperture distributions obtained from **FEM**, **FE-BI**, etc.



$$A(\vec{r}(u, v)) \approx \sum_{i=1}^K C_i e^{-j(\beta_u^i u + \beta_v^i v)}$$

*uv*-space

Found numerically by matching to the actual distribution

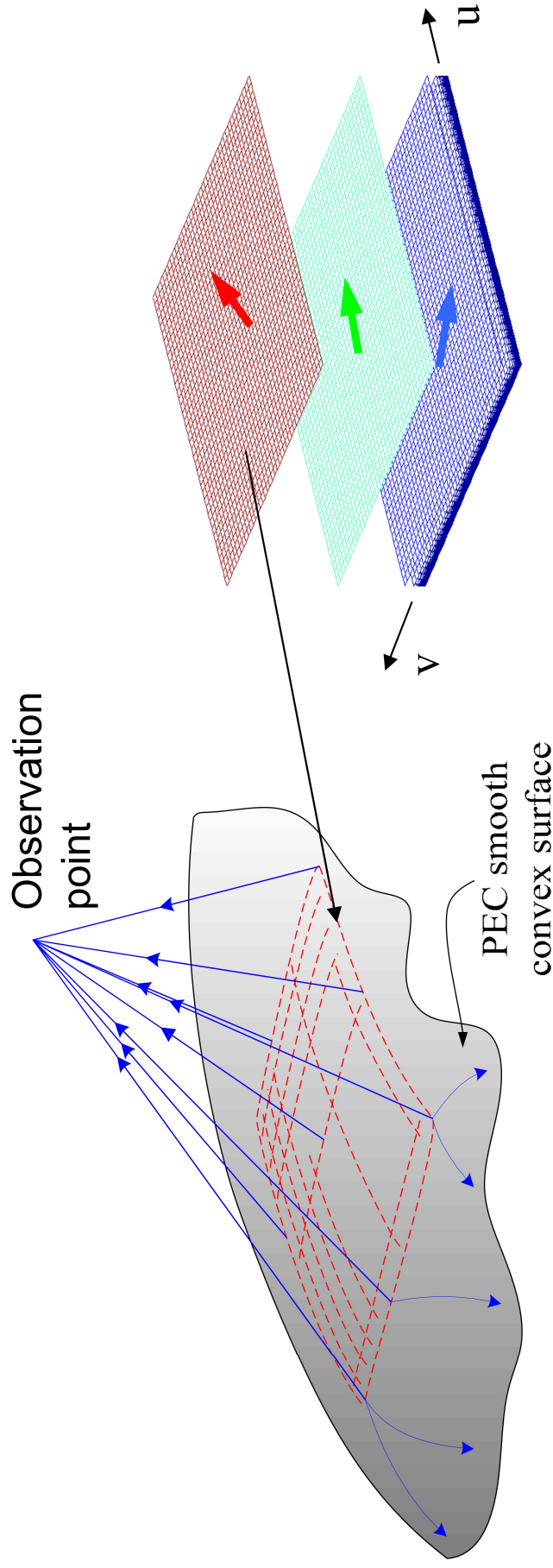
\* Fields produced by each TW can be represented in terms of a set of **UTD** rays.

# TW Extraction Methods



- DFT (Discrete Fourier Transform)
- CLEAN (or “Extract and Subtract”)
- Prony’s Method
- Other Available Methods

# Collective UTD Ray Fields



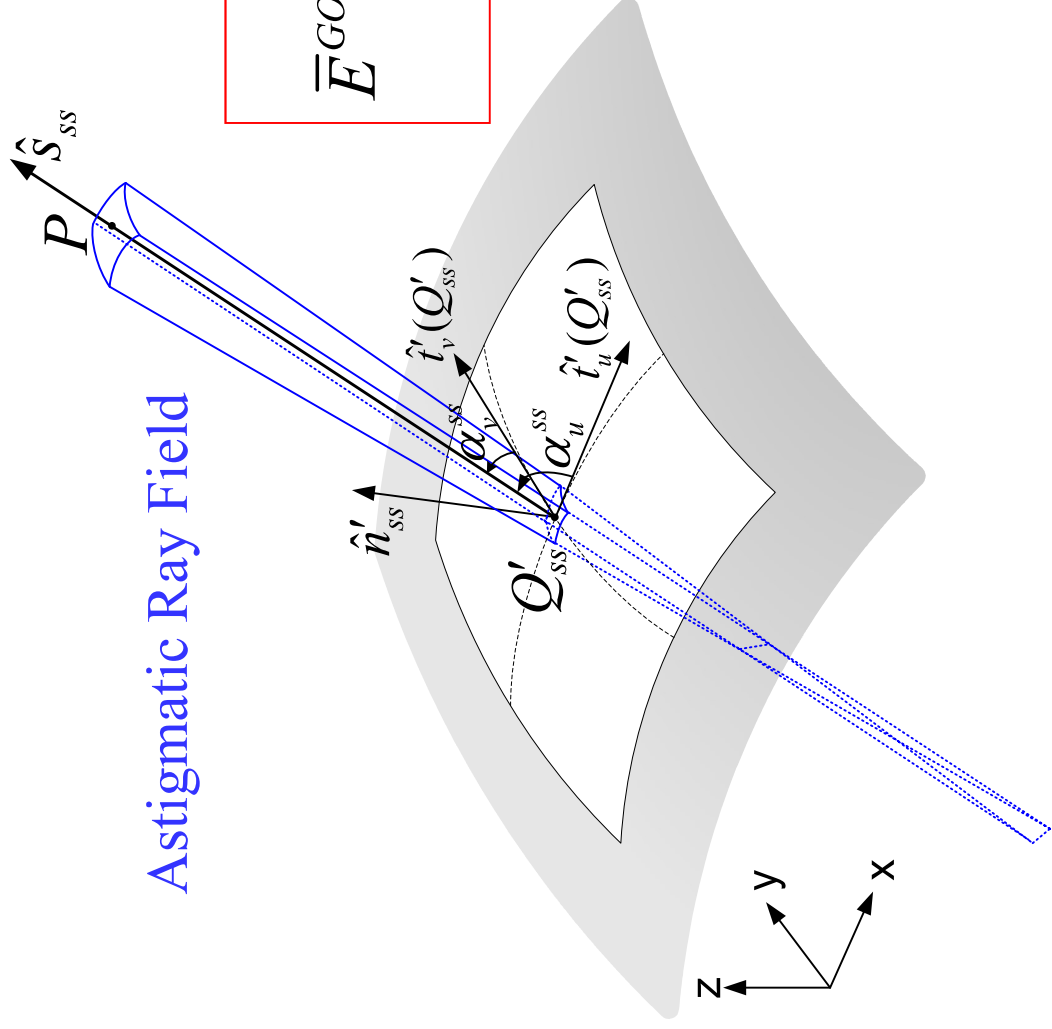
Each TW current radiates a small set of collective UTD rays.

$$\bar{E}(P) \approx \sum_{l=1}^K \bar{E}_{UTD}^l$$

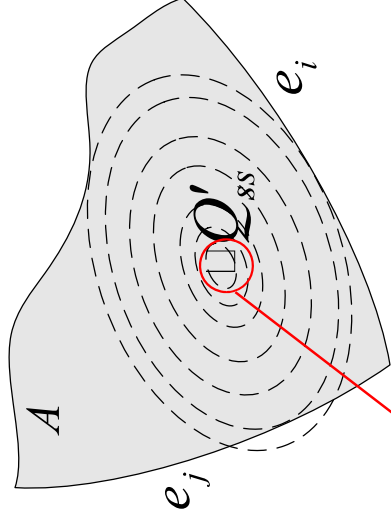
Transition fields

$$\bar{E}_{UTD} = \bar{E}^{GO} U_{GO} + \sum_{i=1}^4 \bar{E}_i^{ed} U_{ei} + \sum_{j=1}^4 \bar{E}_j^{cd} + \left\{ \Delta \bar{E}^{GO} + \sum_{i=1}^4 \Delta \bar{E}_i^{ed} \right\}$$

# Geometrical Optics or Local Floquet Wave



Astigmatic Ray Field

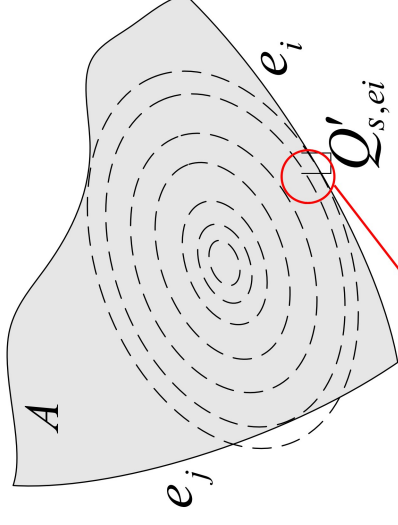
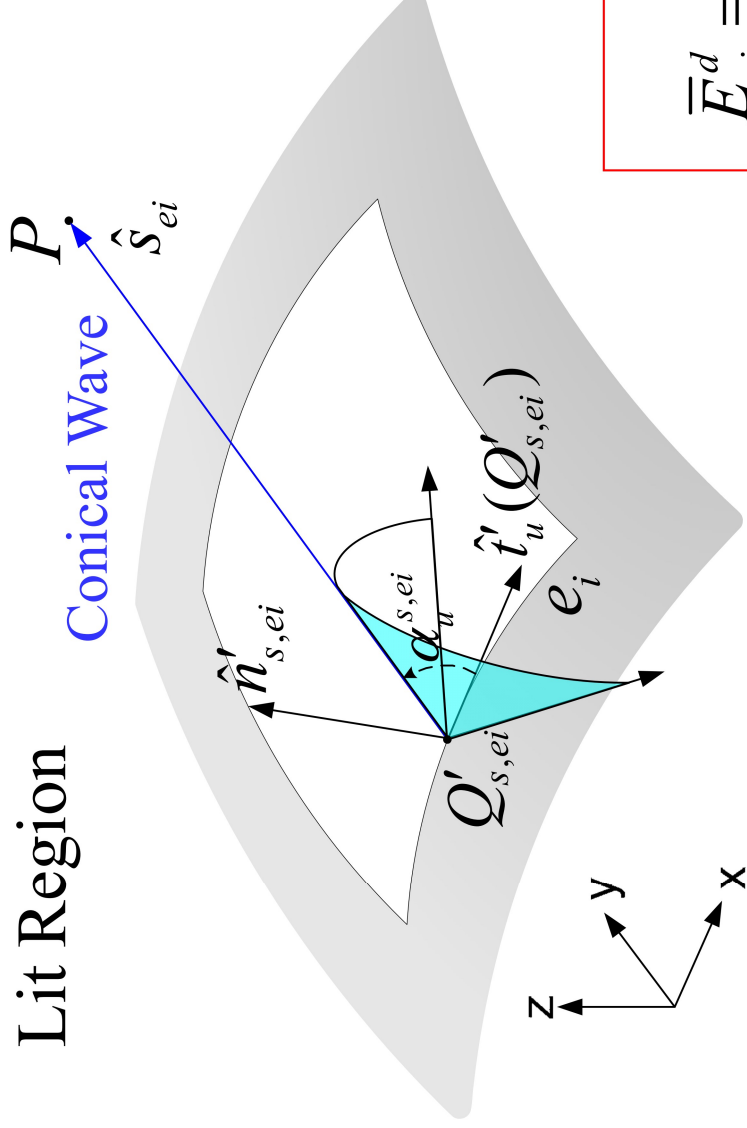


$$\bar{E}^{GO} = \bar{A}_{ss} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_1^{ss} \rho_2^{ss}}{(\rho_1^{ss} + s_{ss})(\rho_2^{ss} + s_{ss})}} e^{-jk s_{ss}}$$

$$\bar{A}_{ss} = \bar{T}_L(P|Q'_{ss}) \bullet \hat{t}' L_{ss}$$

$$L_{ss} = \frac{(-2\pi j) J(Q'_{ss})}{k \sqrt{\Lambda_{ss}}} e^{-jk \chi(Q'_{ss})}$$

# Edge Diffracted Fields

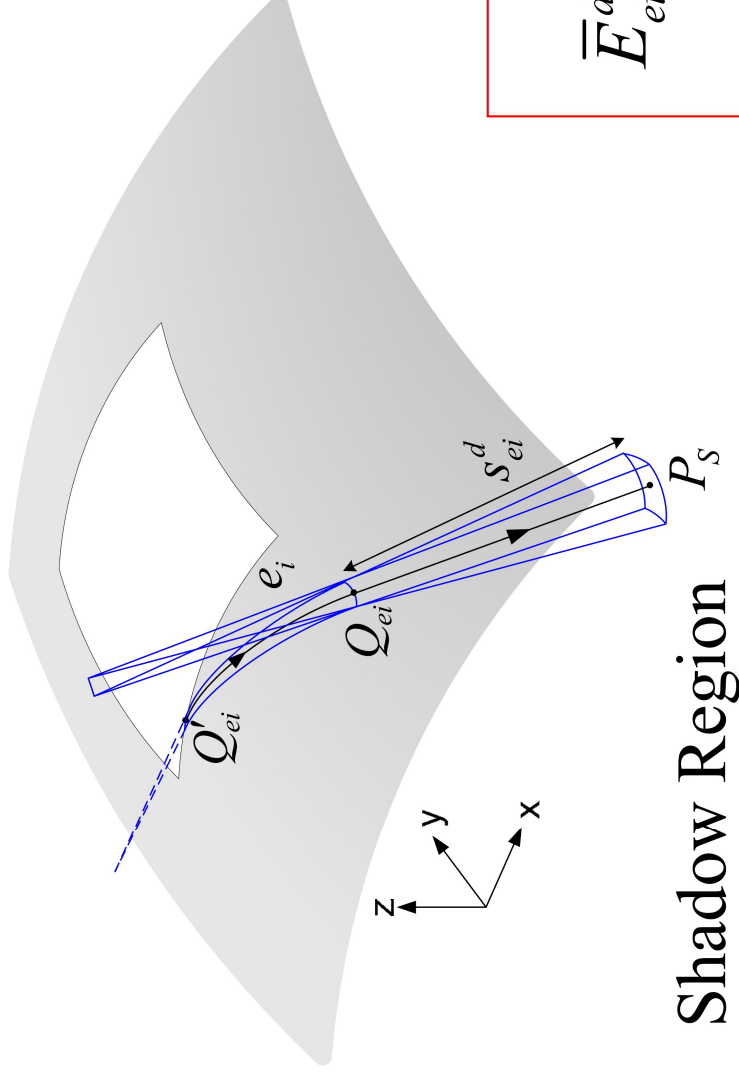


$$\bar{E}_{ei}^d = \bar{A}_{ei} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_{ei}}{s_{ei}(\rho_{ei} + s_{ei})}} e^{-jk s_{ei}}$$

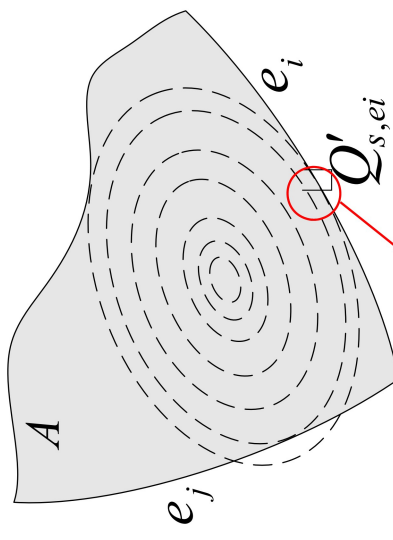
$$\bar{A}_{ei} = \bar{T}_L(P | Q'_{s,ei}) \bullet \hat{t}' D_{ei}^d$$

$$D_{ei}^d = \frac{\epsilon_{ei} j \sqrt{2\pi} e^{-j\pi/4} J(Q'_{s,ei}) e^{-jk \chi(Q'_{s,ei})}}{k [\hat{s}_{ei} \bullet \vec{r}'_v - \Omega_v]} \sqrt{k |E_{ei} - \Omega_u^2|}$$

# Edge-Excited Surface Diffracted Fields



Shadow Region

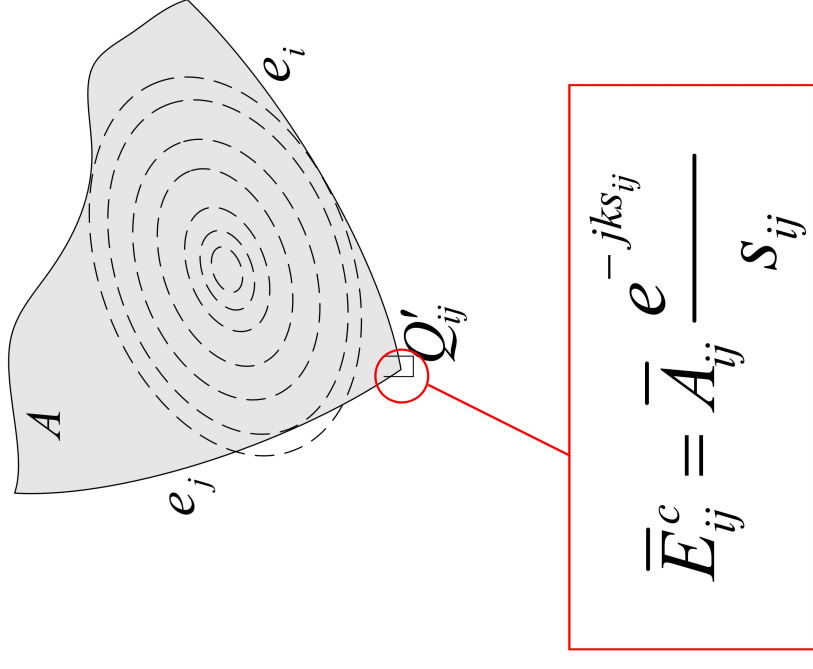
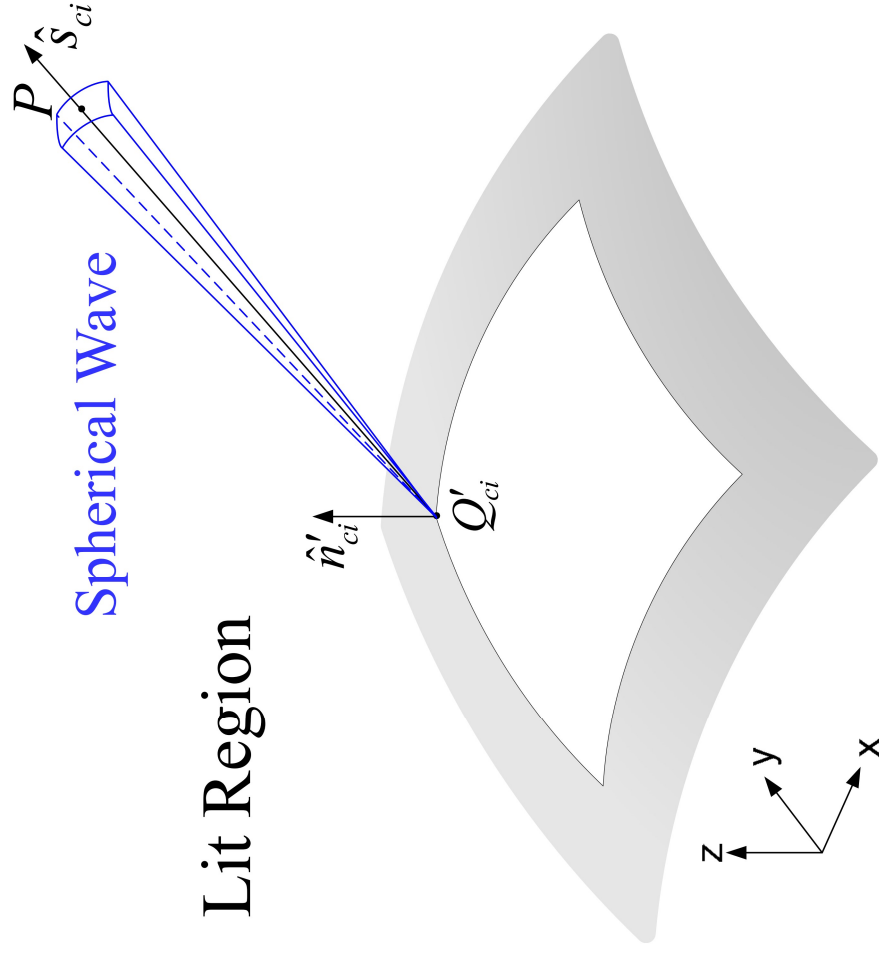


$$\bar{E}_{ei}^{ds} = \bar{A}_{ei}^s \sqrt{\frac{\rho_{ei}^d}{s_{ei}^d (\rho_{ei}^d + s_{ei}^d)}} e^{-jks_{ei}^d}$$

$$\bar{A}_{ei}^s = \bar{T}_S(P | Q'_{s,ei}) \bullet \hat{t}' D_{ei}^{ds} e^{-jkt_{ei}} \sqrt{\frac{d\eta(Q'_{s,ei})}{d\eta(Q_{s,ei})}} \left[ \frac{\rho_g(Q_{s,ei})}{\rho_g(Q'_{s,ei})} \right]^{1/6}$$

$$D_{ei}^{ds} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ei} j \sqrt{2\pi} e^{-j\pi/4} J(Q'_{s,ei}) e^{-jk\chi(Q'_{s,ei})}}{k[\hat{t}'_{ei} \bullet \bar{r}'_v - \Omega_v]} \sqrt{k |E_{ei} - \Omega_u^2|}$$

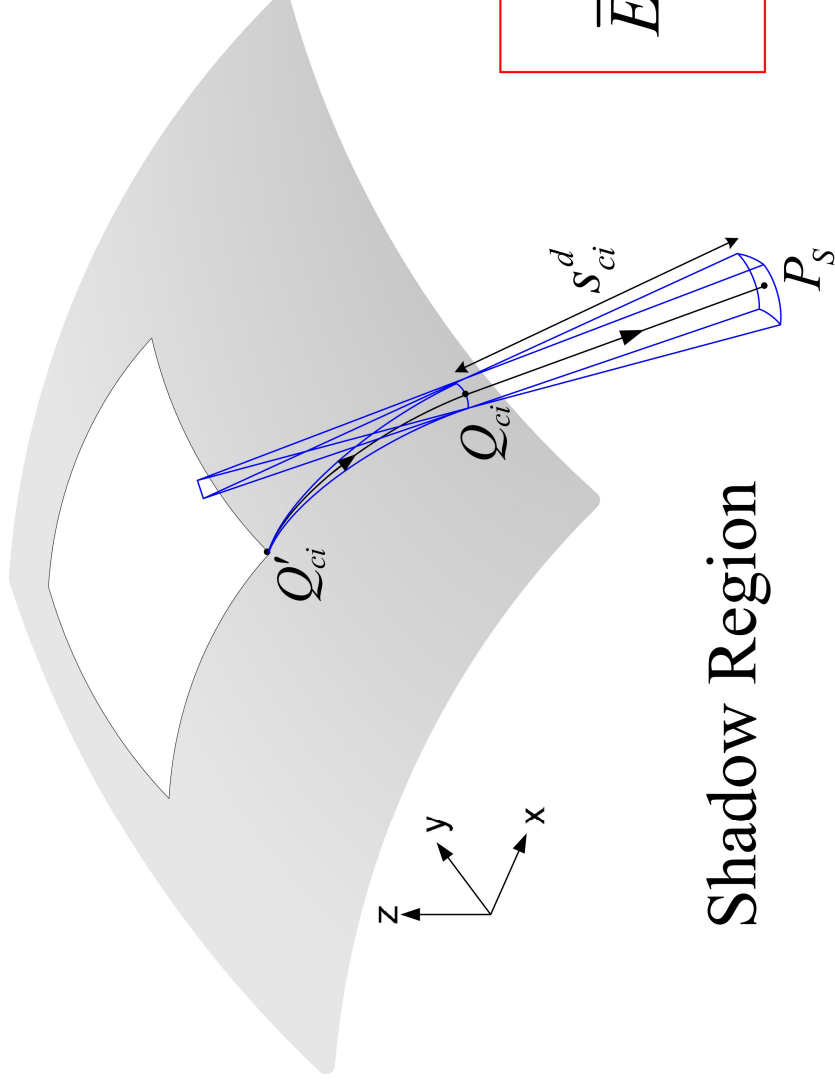
# Corner Diffracted Fields



$$\bar{A}_{ij} = \bar{T}_L(P | Q'_{ij}) \bullet \hat{t}' D_{ij}^c$$

$$D_{ij}^c = -\frac{\epsilon_{ei} \epsilon_{ej} J(Q'_{ij}) e^{-jk\chi(Q'_{ij})}}{k^2 [\hat{s}_{ij} \bullet \vec{r}'_u - \Omega_u] [\hat{s}_{ij} \bullet \vec{r}'_v - \Omega_v]}$$

# Corner-Excited Surface Diffracted Fields

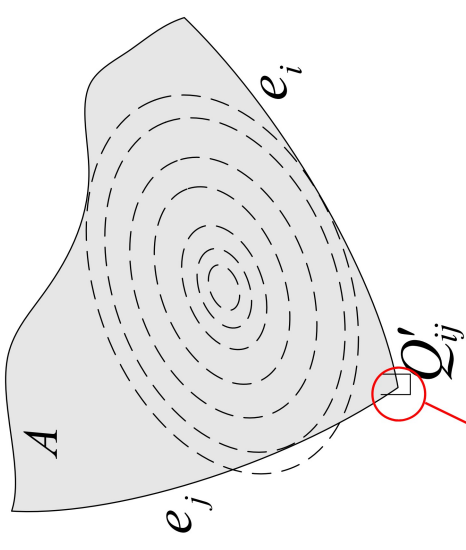


Shadow Region

$$\bar{E}_{ij}^{cs} = \bar{A}_{ij}^s \sqrt{\frac{\rho_{ij}^d}{s_{ij}^d (\rho_{ij}^d + s_{ij}^d)}} e^{-jks_{ij}^d}$$

$$\bar{A}_{ij}^s = \bar{T}_S(P_s | Q'_{ij}) \bullet \hat{\tau}' D_{ij}^{cs} e^{-jkt_{ij}} \sqrt{\frac{d\psi_0}{dn(Q_{ij})} \left[ \frac{\rho_g(Q_{ij})}{\rho_g(Q'_{ij})} \right]^{1/6}}$$

$$D_{ij}^{cs} = - \frac{\epsilon_{ei} \epsilon_{ej} J(Q'_{ij}) e^{-jk\chi(Q'_{ij})}}{k^2 [\hat{t}'_{ij} \bullet \vec{r}'_u - \Omega_u] [\hat{t}'_{ij} \bullet \vec{r}'_v - \Omega_v]}$$





# Fields in Transition Regions

$$\Delta \bar{E}^{GO} = \bar{E}^{GO} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=3}^4 \frac{e^{-j(k\delta_{ij}^2 + \frac{\pi}{4})}}{4\pi k\delta_{ij}^2} W(\sqrt{k}\delta_{ci,j}, \sqrt{k}\delta_{ei}, \sqrt{k}\delta_{cj,i}, \sqrt{k}\delta_{ej}) \varepsilon_{ei} \varepsilon_{ej} \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{e^{-j(k\delta_{ei}^2 + \frac{\pi}{4})}}{2\sqrt{\pi} \sqrt{k}\delta_{ei}} [1 - F(k\delta_{ei}^2)] \varepsilon_{ei} U_{ei} \right\} \\ + \sum_{j=3}^4 \frac{e^{-j(k\delta_{ej}^2 + \frac{\pi}{4})}}{2\sqrt{\pi} \sqrt{k}\delta_{ej}} [1 - F(k\delta_{ej}^2)] \varepsilon_{ej} U_{ej} \left. \right\}$$

$$W(x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2) = \left( \frac{x_1}{y_1} + \frac{x_2}{y_2} \right) - \frac{(x_1^2 + y_1^2)}{x_1 y_1} F(x_1^2) - \frac{(x_2^2 + y_2^2)}{x_2 y_2} F(x_2^2) \\ + \left( \frac{y_1}{x_1} + \frac{y_2}{x_2} \right) T(x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2)$$

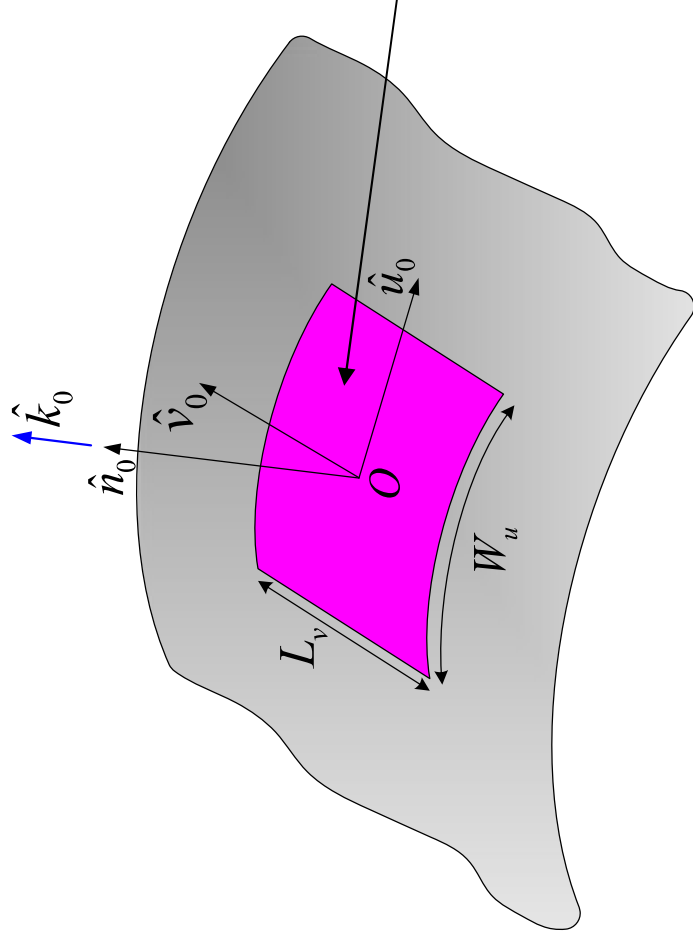
$$\Delta \bar{E}_{ei}^d = \bar{E}_{ei}^d \left\{ \sum_{j=3}^4 \frac{e^{-j(k\delta_{ci,j}^2 + \frac{\pi}{4})}}{2\sqrt{\pi} \sqrt{k}\delta_{ci,j}} [1 - F(k\delta_{ci,j}^2)] \varepsilon_{ej} \right\}$$



# Aperture on a PEC Circular Cylinder



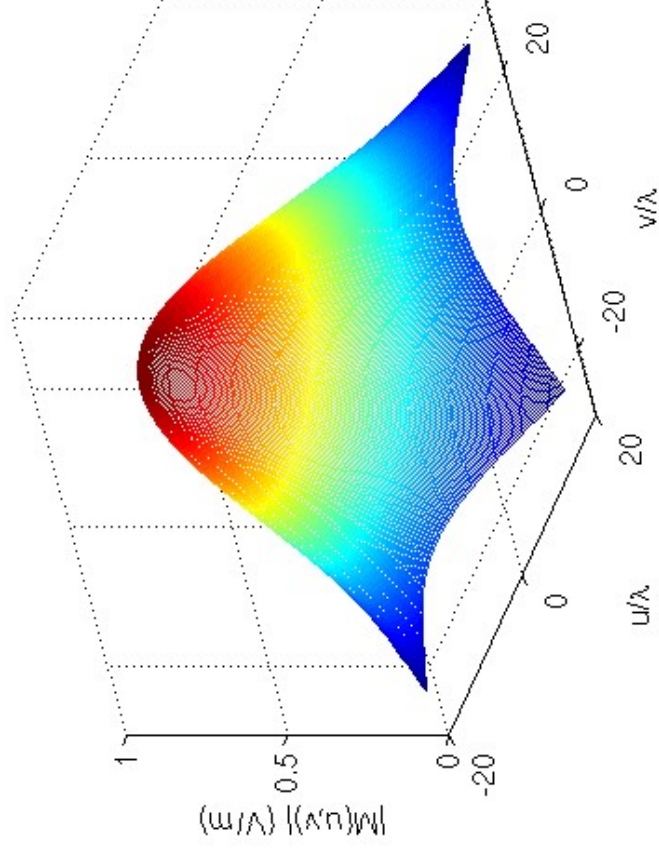
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$f = 24 \text{ GHz}$   
 $a = 150.0 \text{ cm } (120.0 \lambda)$   
 $W_u = 37.5 \text{ cm } (30.0 \lambda)$   
 $L_v = 50.0 \text{ cm } (40.0 \lambda)$

Broadside scan

Current polarization:  $45^\circ$  w.r.t. axial direction



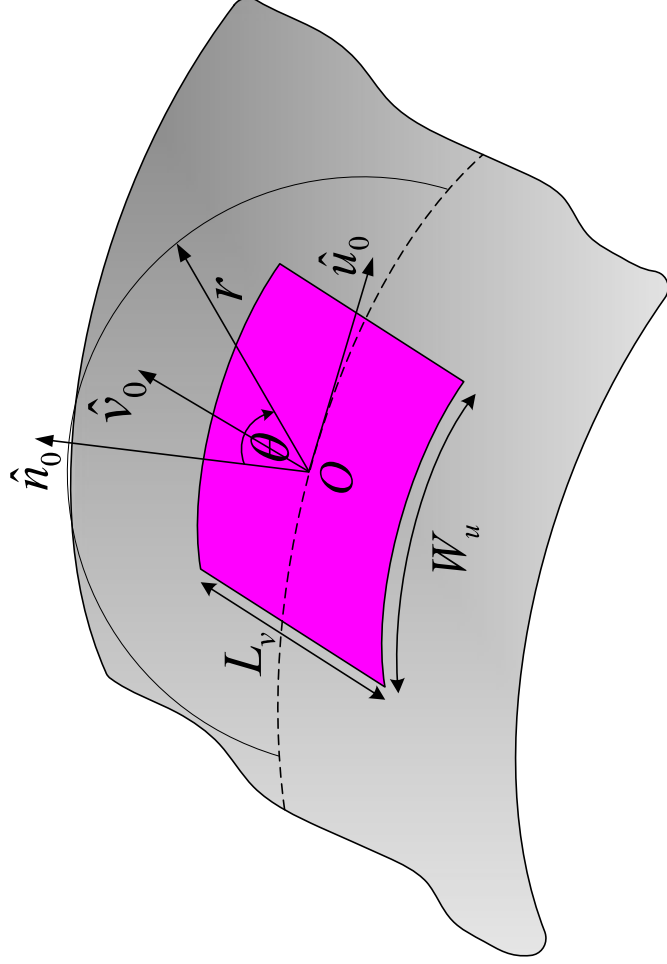
Taylor distribution

105 TWs were used !!

# Aperture on a PEC Circular Cylinder (cont.)



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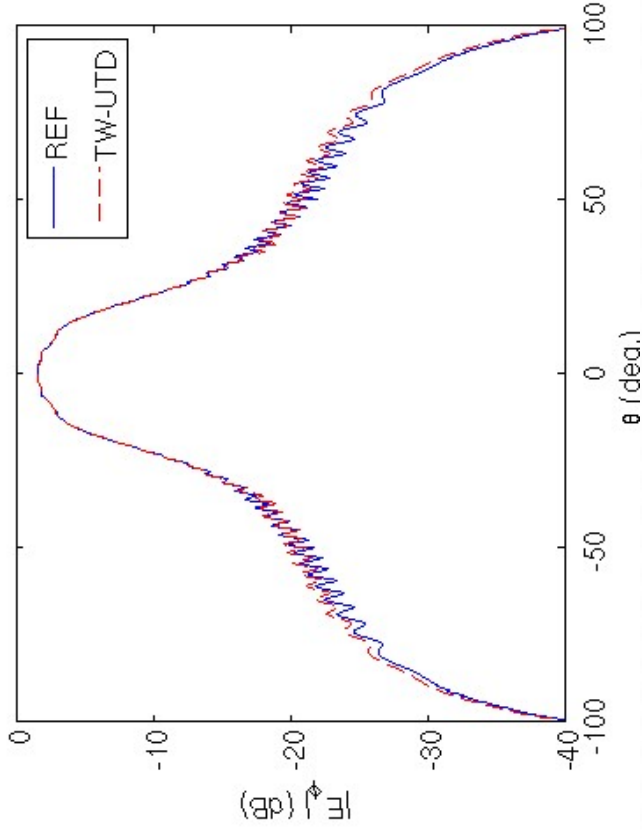
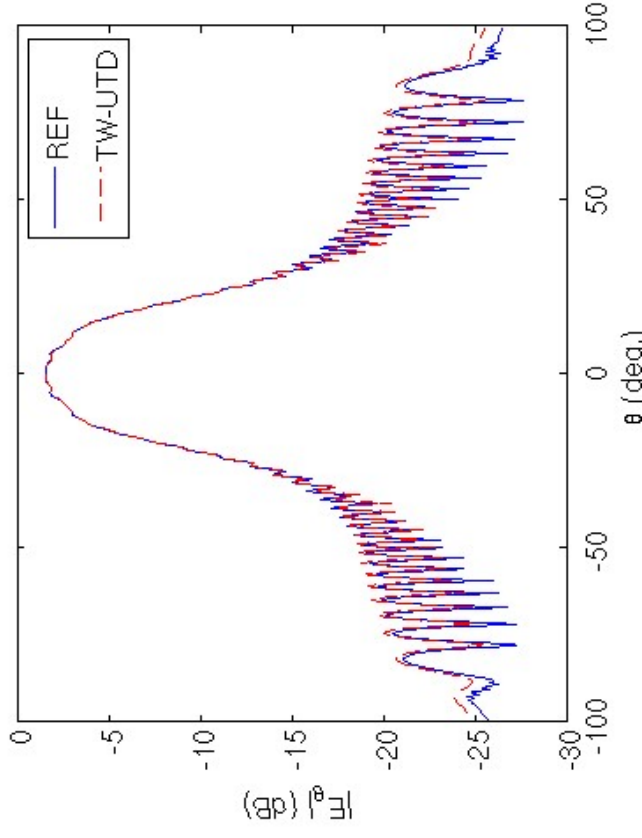


Circumferential plane cut

$r = 40 \lambda$  (near zone)

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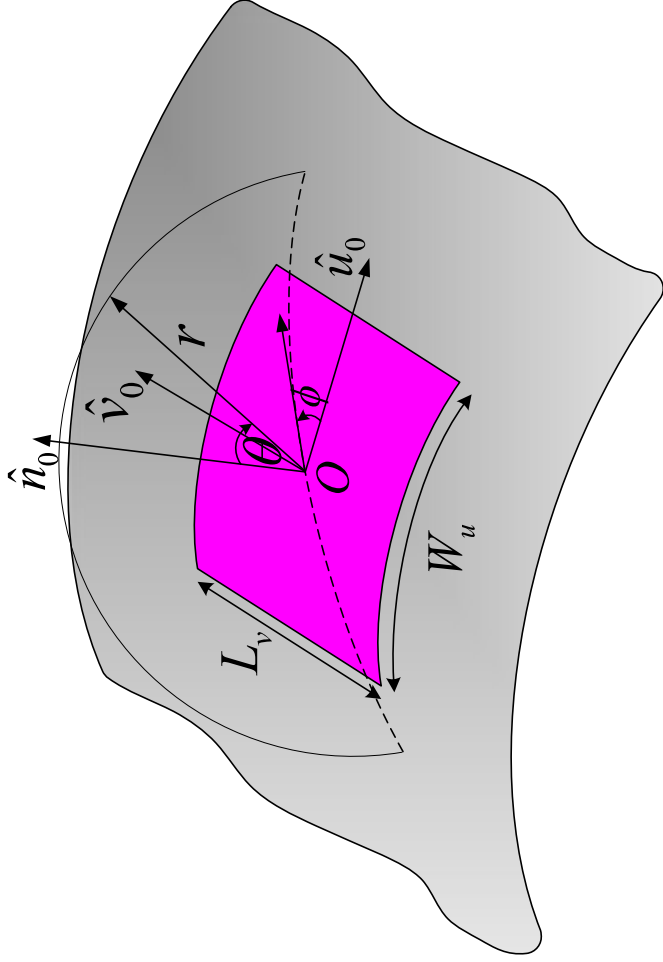
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# Aperture on a PEC Circular Cylinder (cont.)



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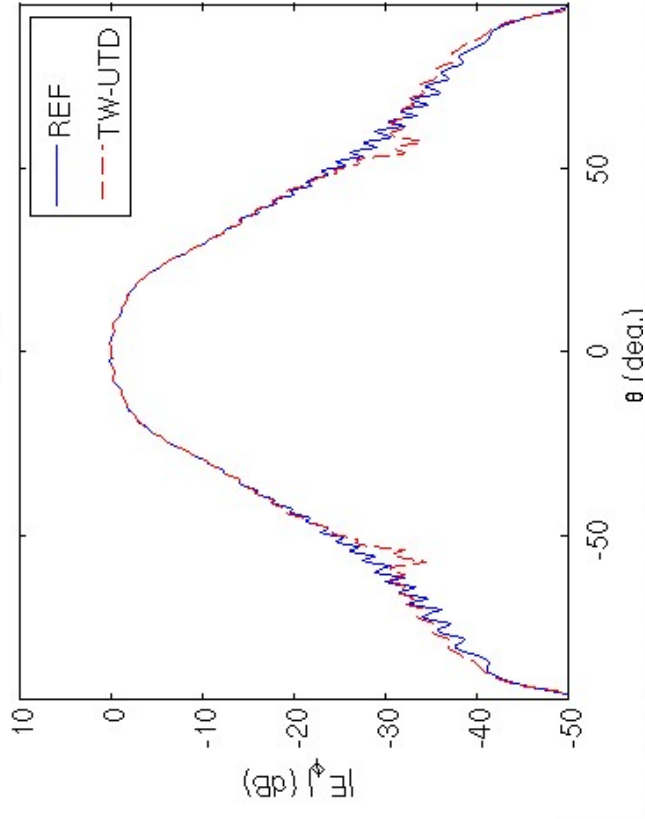
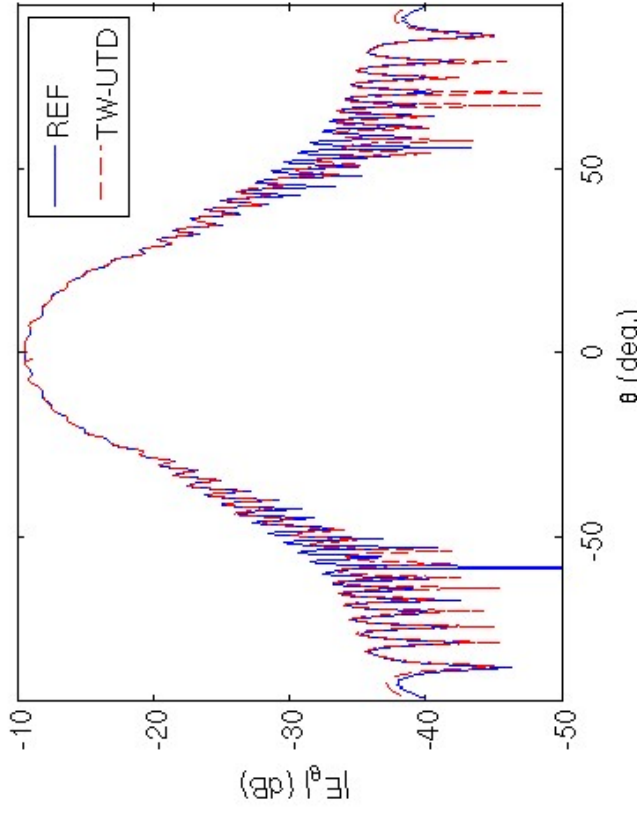


Oblique plane cut:  $\phi = 40^\circ$

$r = 40 \lambda$  (near zone)

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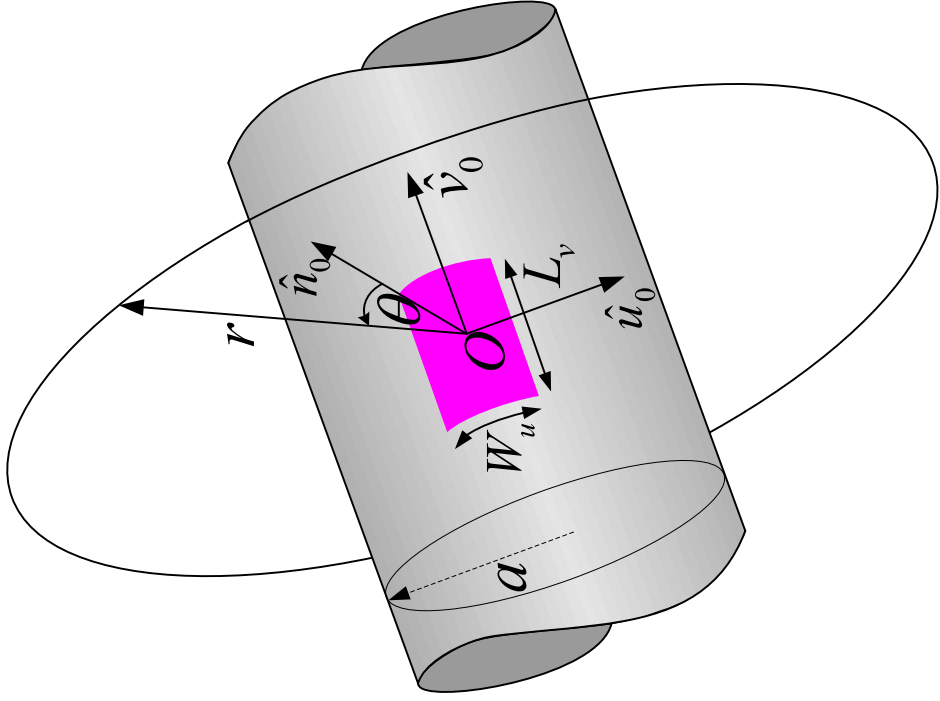
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# Aperture on a PEC Circular Cylinder (cont.)



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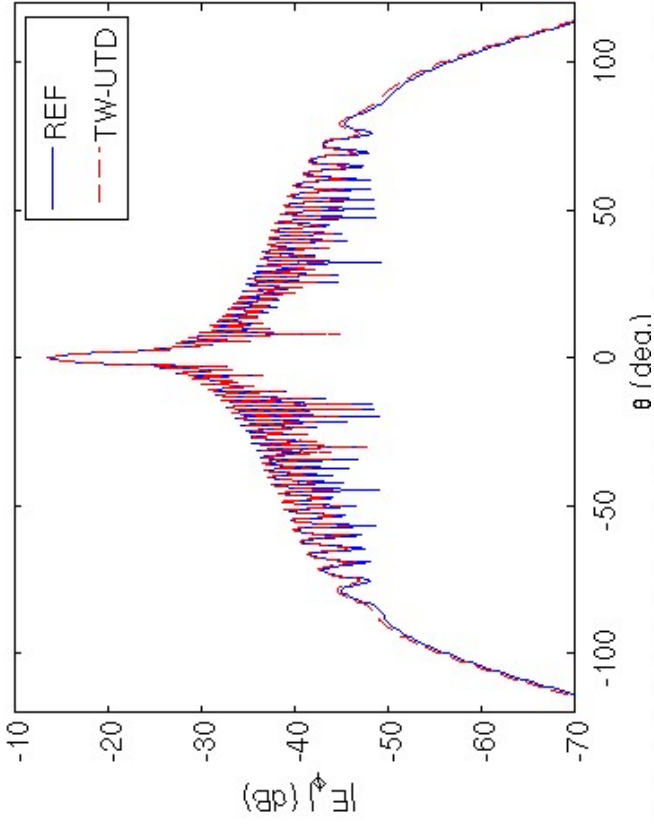
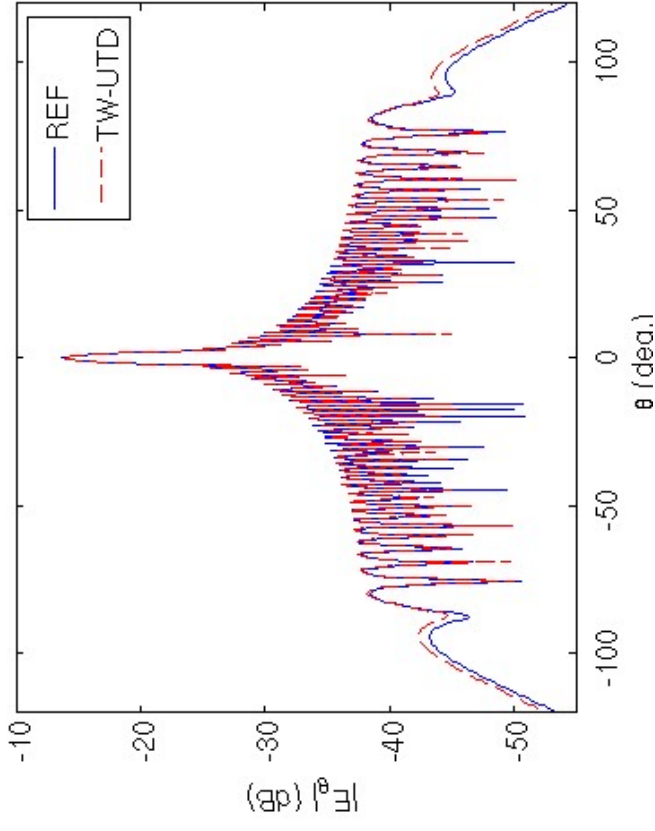


Circumferential plane cut

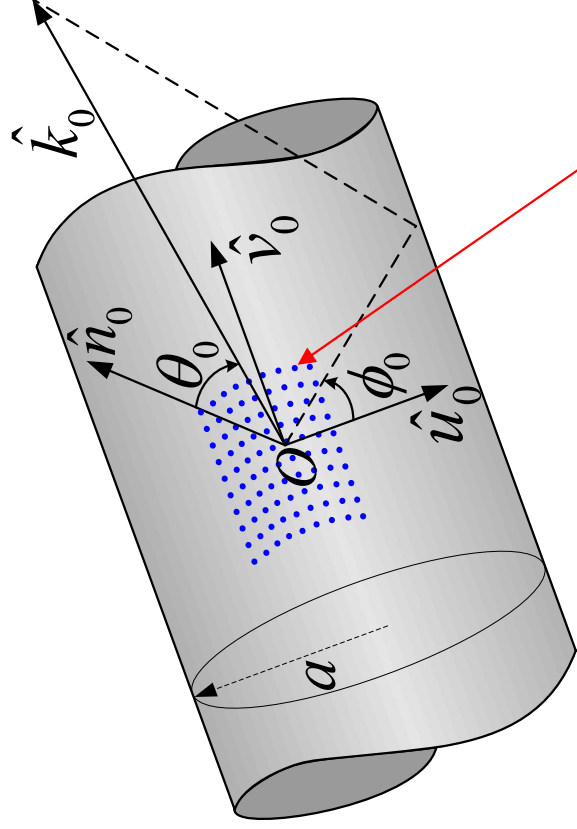
$r = 9600 \lambda$  (**far zone**)

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TW-UTD: 4.18 sec.



# Slot array on a PEC Cylinder



$$f = 9.0 \text{ GHz}$$

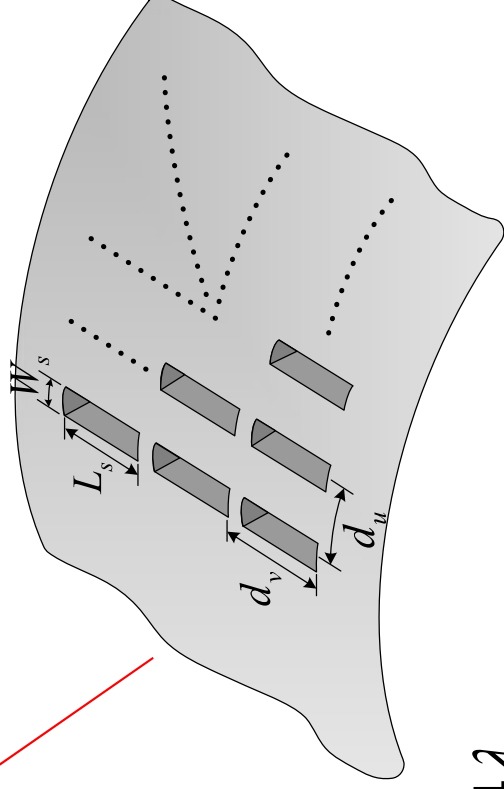
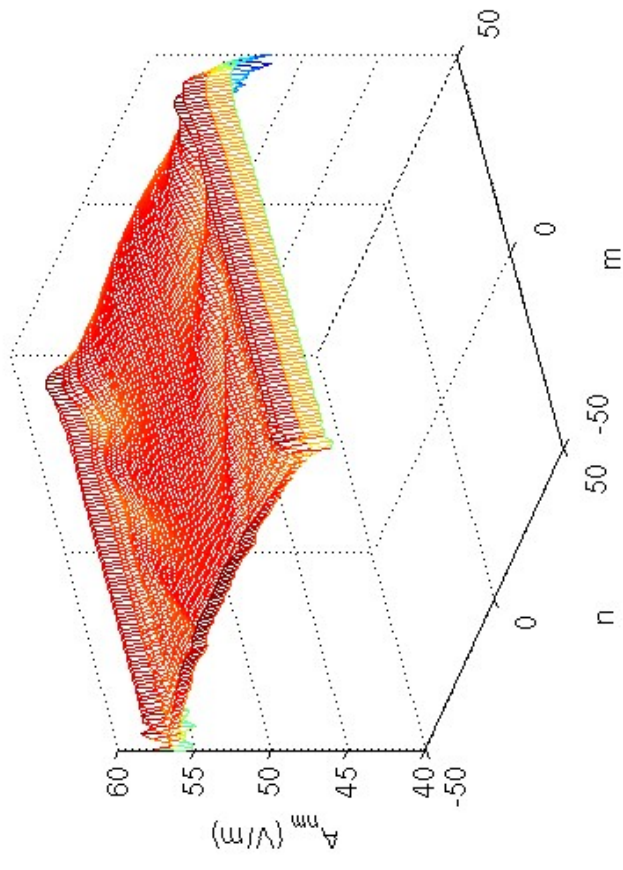
$$a = 100.0\lambda$$

101×101 elements

$$d_u = d_v = 0.65\lambda$$

$$L_s = 0.55\lambda, \quad W_s = 0.244\lambda$$

Scan direction:  $\theta_0 = 30^\circ, \phi_0 = 90^\circ$

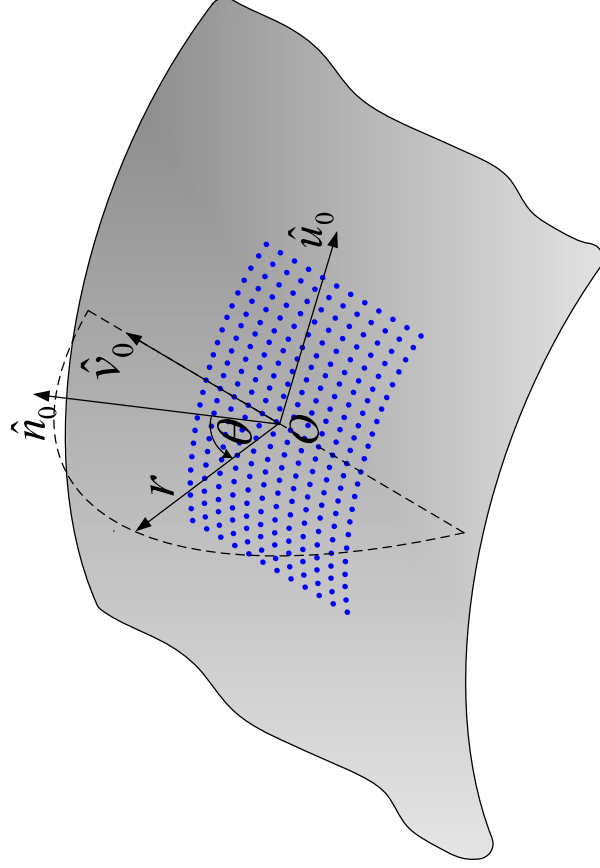


93 TWs ( $\approx 0.9\%$ ) were used !!

# Slot array on a PEC Circular Cylinder (cont.)



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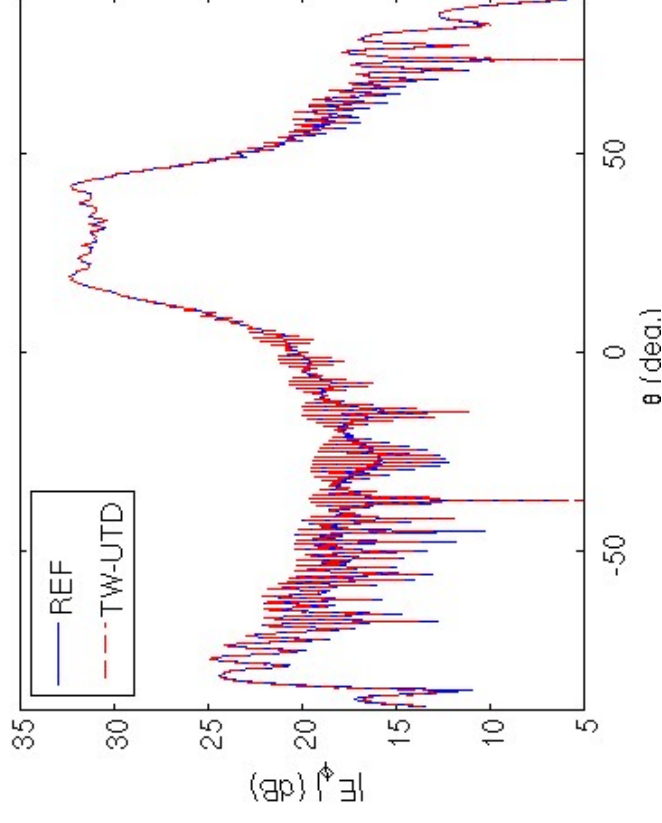


**Axial plane cut (scan plane)**

**$r = 100 \lambda$  (near zone)**

**REF: 34.57 sec.**

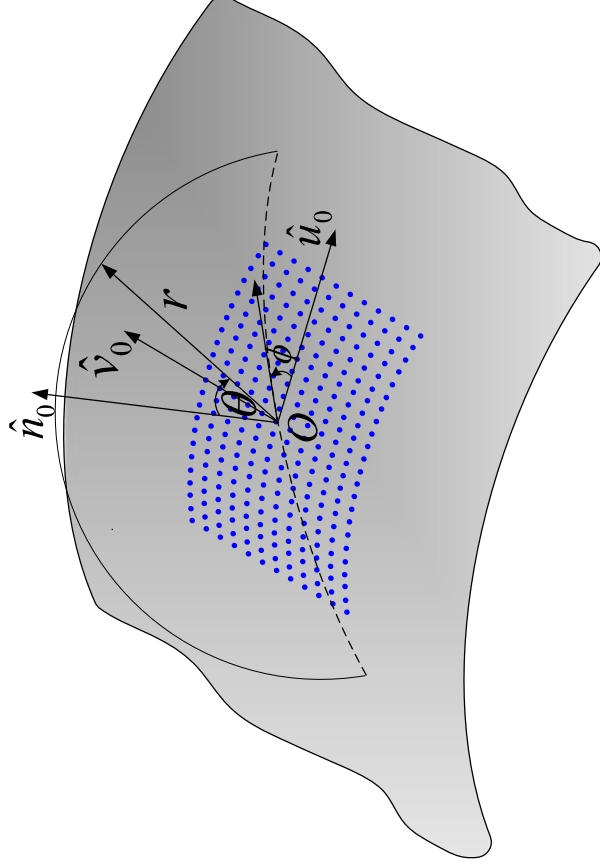
**TW-UTD: 5.47 sec.**



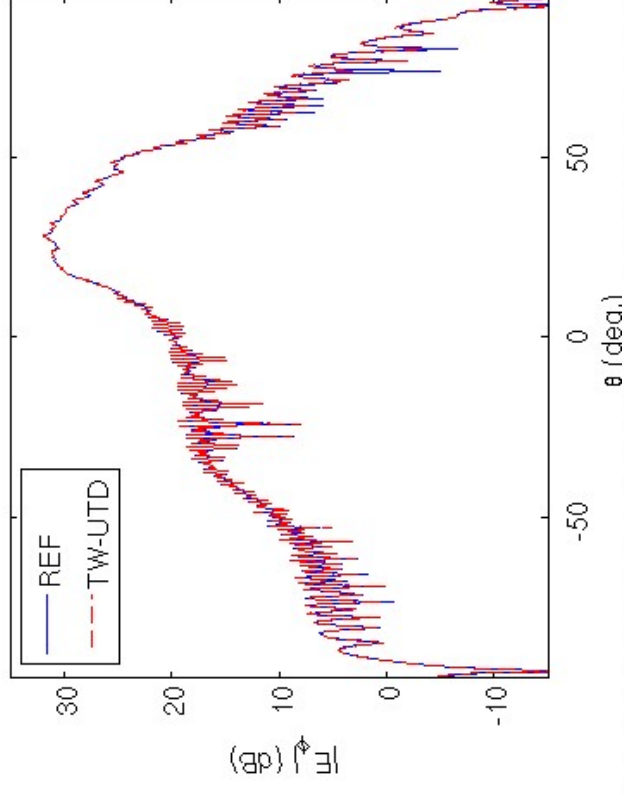
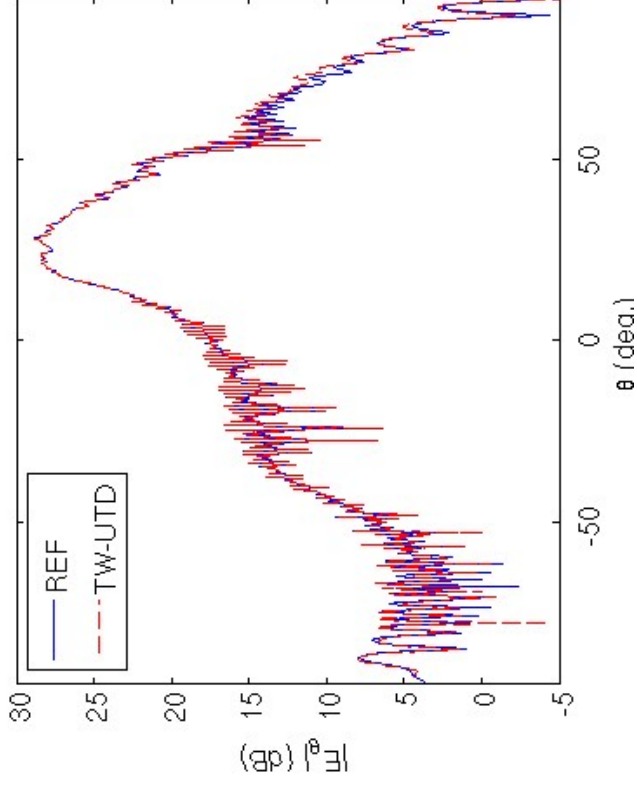
# Slot array on a PEC Circular Cylinder (cont.)



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Oblique plane cut:  $\phi = 60^\circ$   
 $r = 100 \lambda$  (**near zone**)  
REF: 38.40 sec.  
TW-UTD: 6.12 sec.

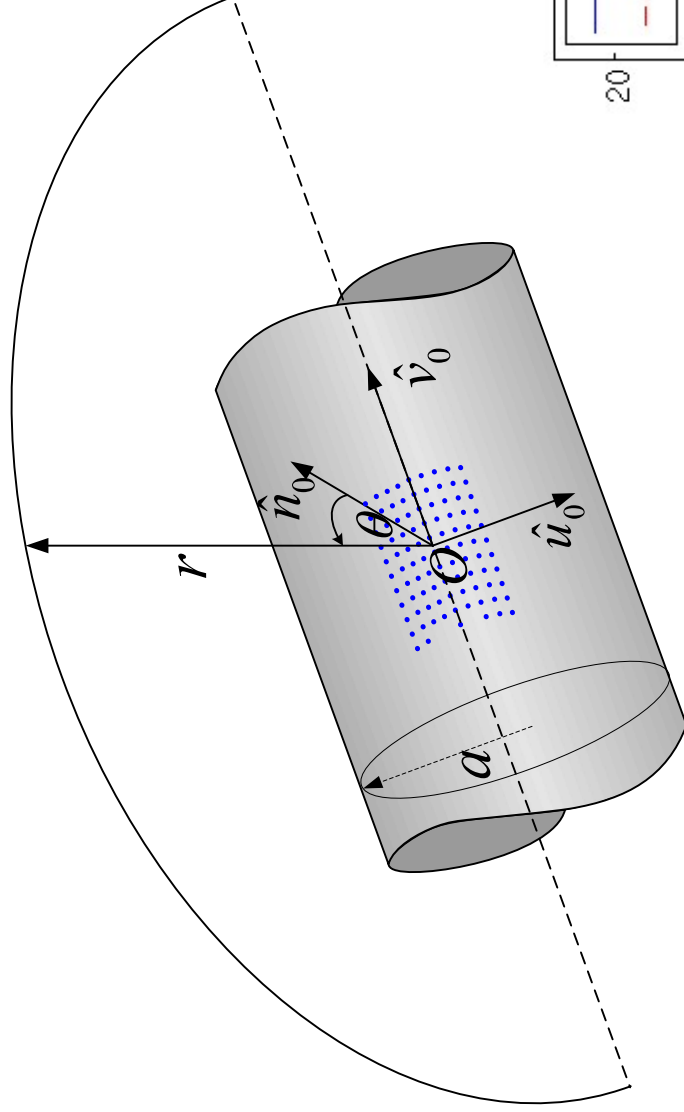




# Slot array on a PEC Circular Cylinder (cont.)



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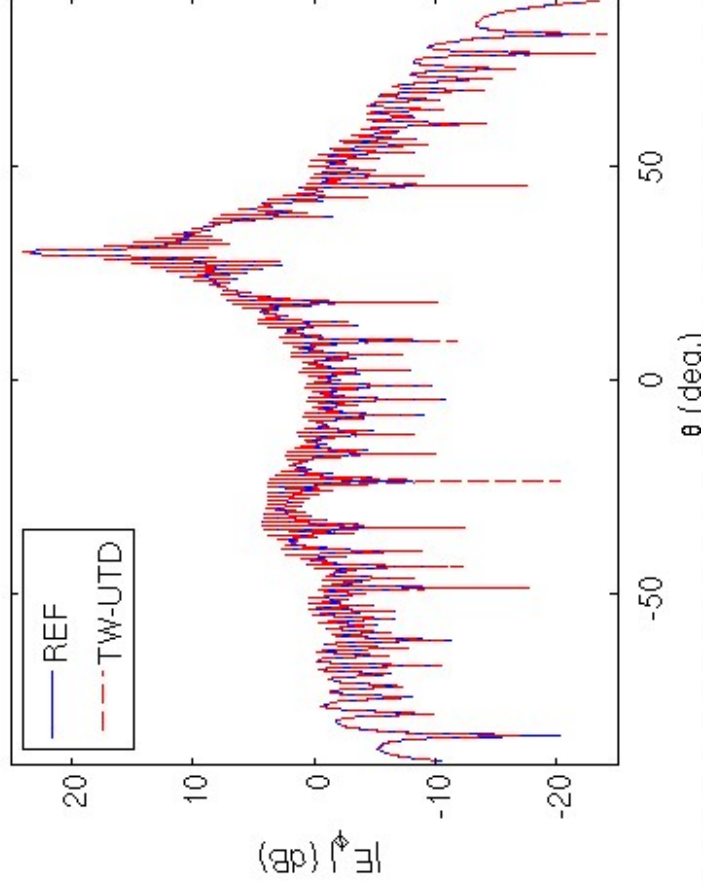


**Axial plane cut (scan plane)**

**far zone**

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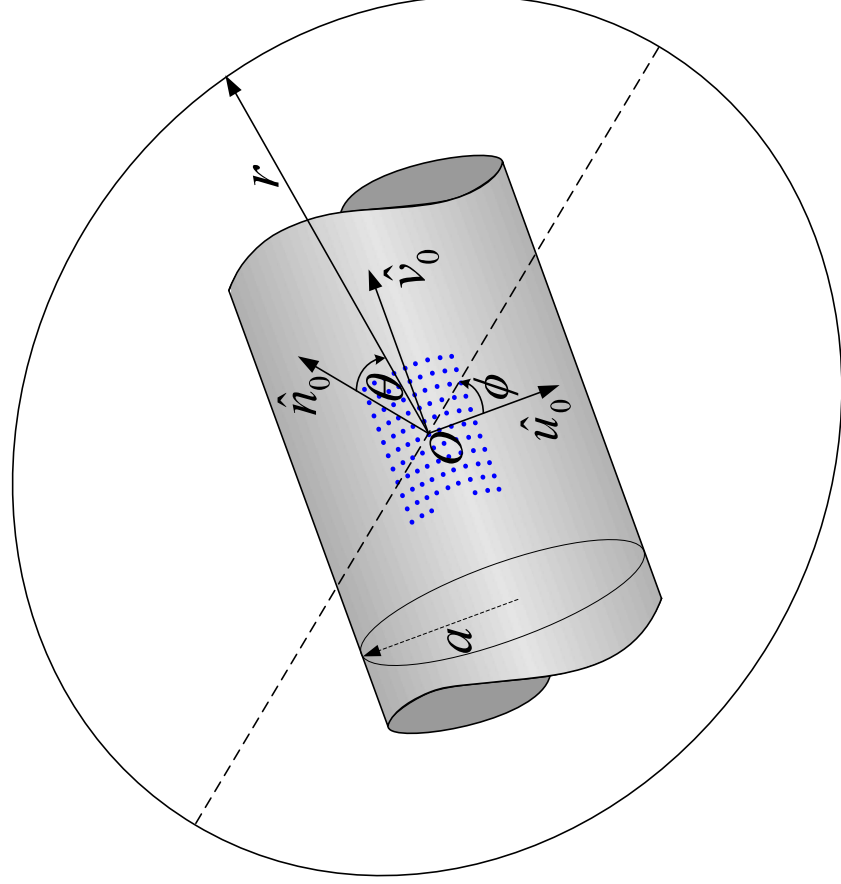
**TW-UTD: 4.39 sec.**



# Slot array on a PEC Circular Cylinder (cont.)



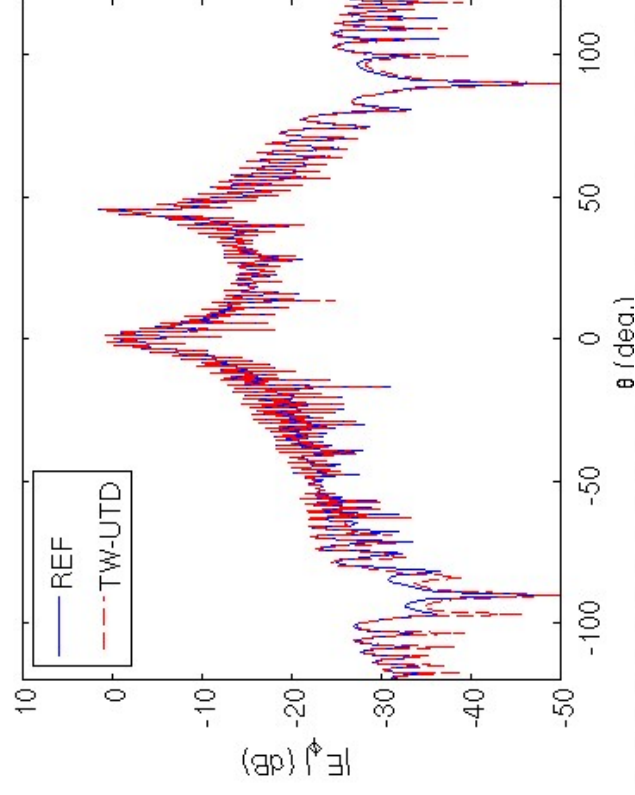
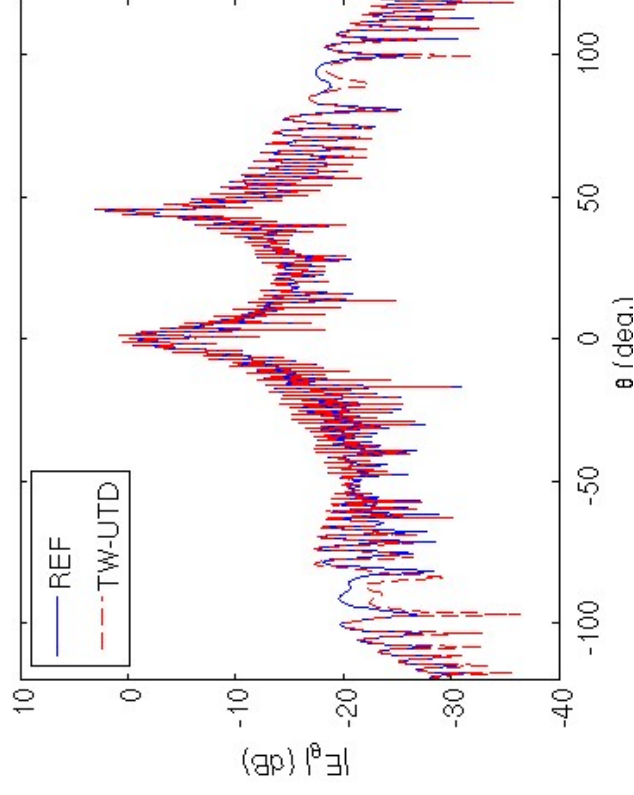
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Oblique plane cut:  $\phi = 45^\circ$   
**far zone**

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TW-UTD: 6.08 sec.

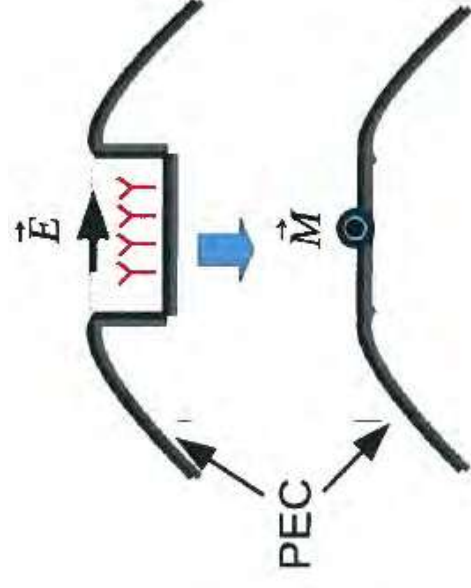
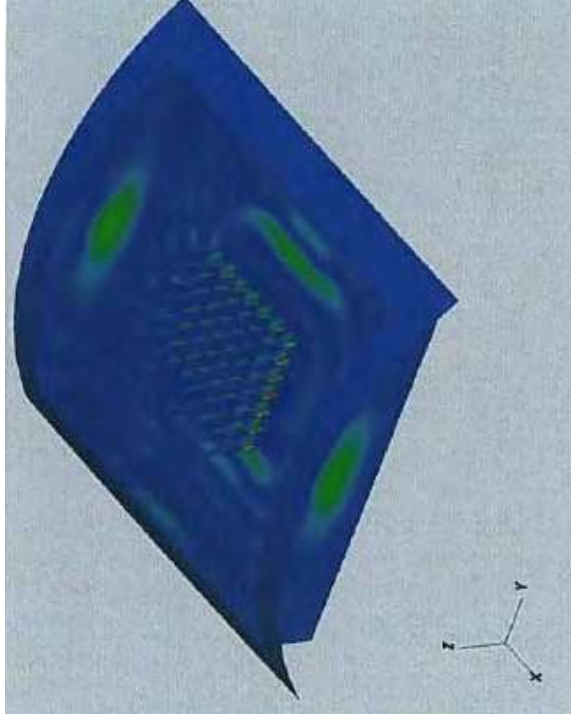


# Interface between Full-Wave solver and High Frequency method



- Simulate the antenna region with surrounding part of cavity.\*
- Take the tangential field on the aperture opening.
- Let  $\vec{M} = -\hat{n} \times \vec{E}$  to be the excitation source put on the surface of platform without aperture.
- UTD code NewAir is used to do the high frequency calculation for the sources on the smooth surface\*\*.

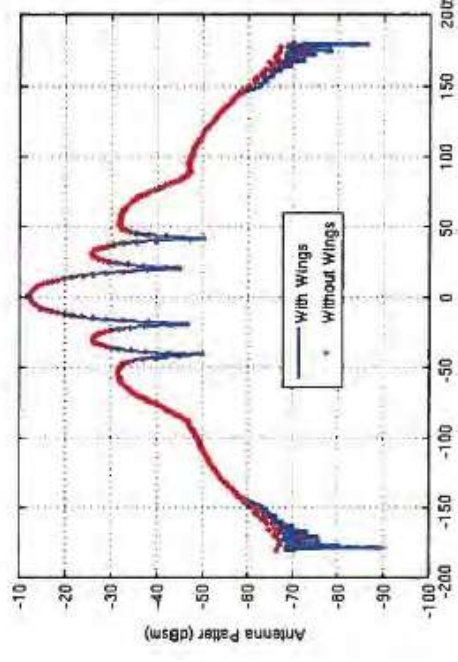
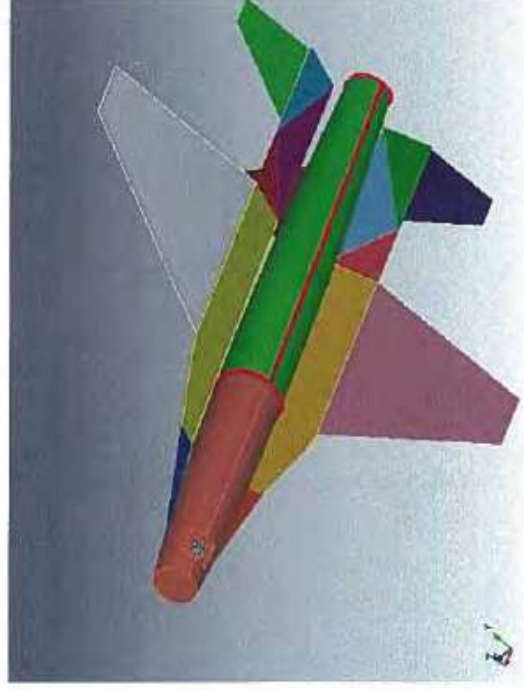
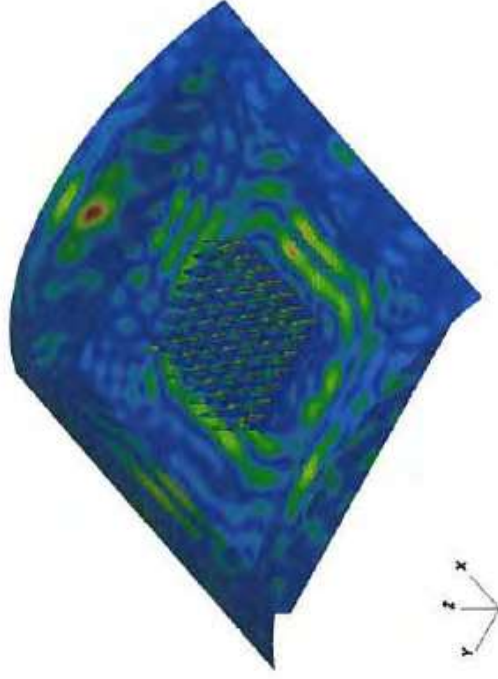
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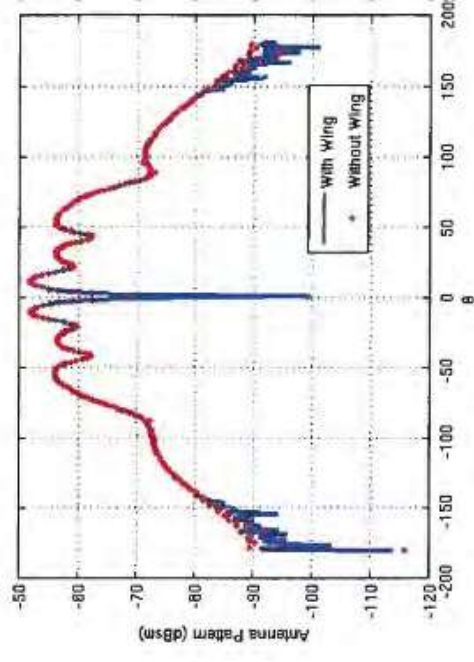
\* J-F. Lee's DD FEBI code.

\*\* P.H. Pathak, et al. A Uniform GTD Solution for the Radiation from Sources on a Convex Surface. TAP-29, No. 4, pp. 609-22.

# Solution of 7 by 7 Vivaldi array mounted on F16 Platform



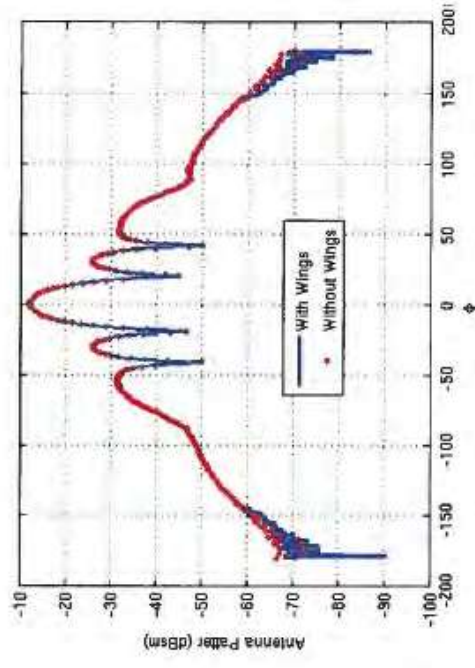
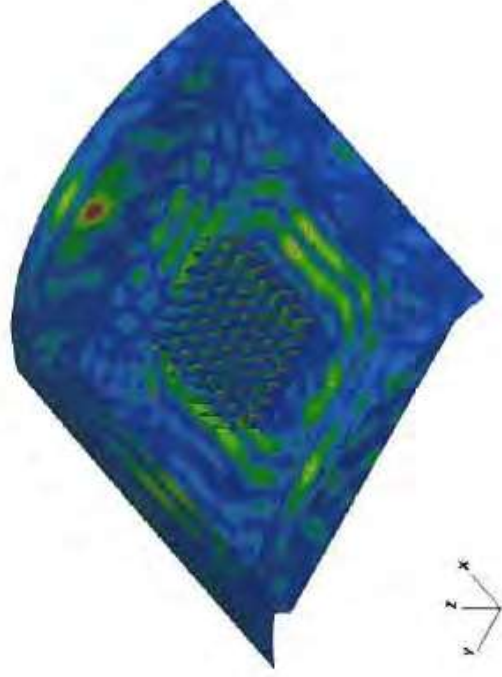
Antenna Pattern (co-polar)



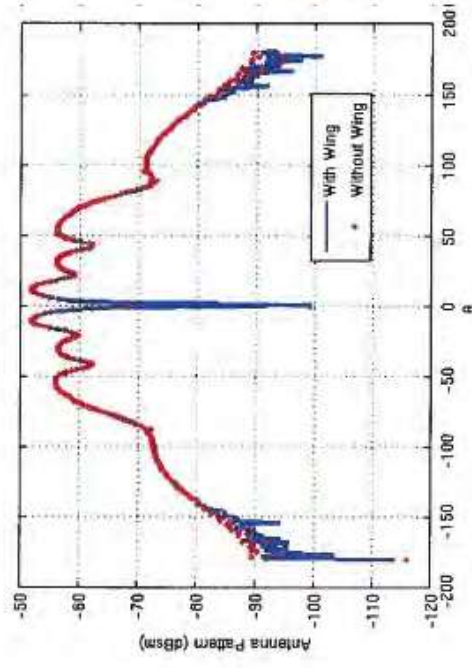
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# Solution of 7 by 7 Vivaldi array mounted on F16 Platform



Antenna Pattern (co-polar)



Antenna Pattern (cross-polar)

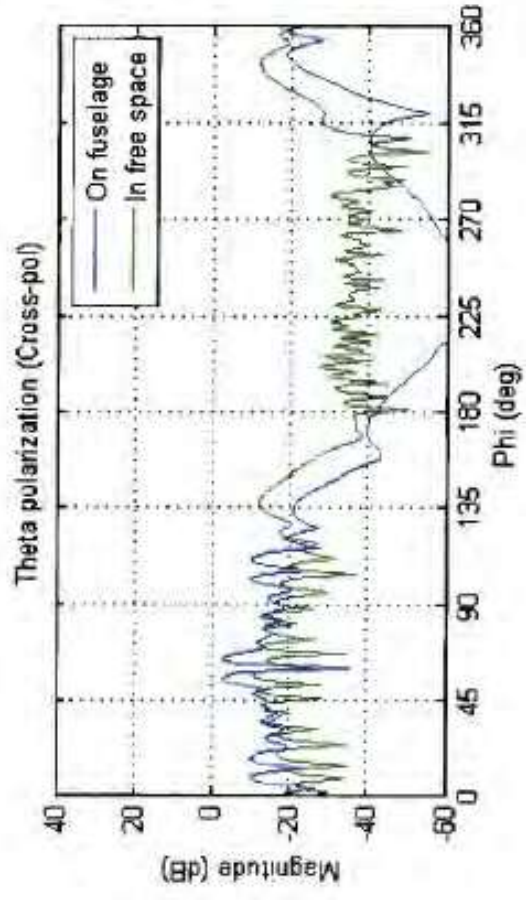
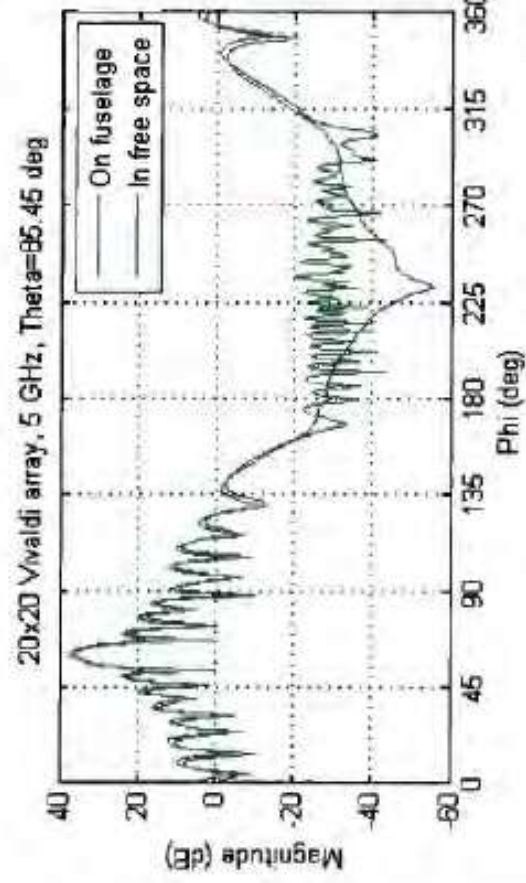
Computational Statistic  
Iteration Number: 14

	CPU time	Memory Cost	Unknowns
Antenna	1:27:10	95M	1,878,372
Cavity	1:56:24	49M	29,895
Coupling	0:25:02		
OuterLoop	0:0:50	54M	
High Freq	0:18:33		

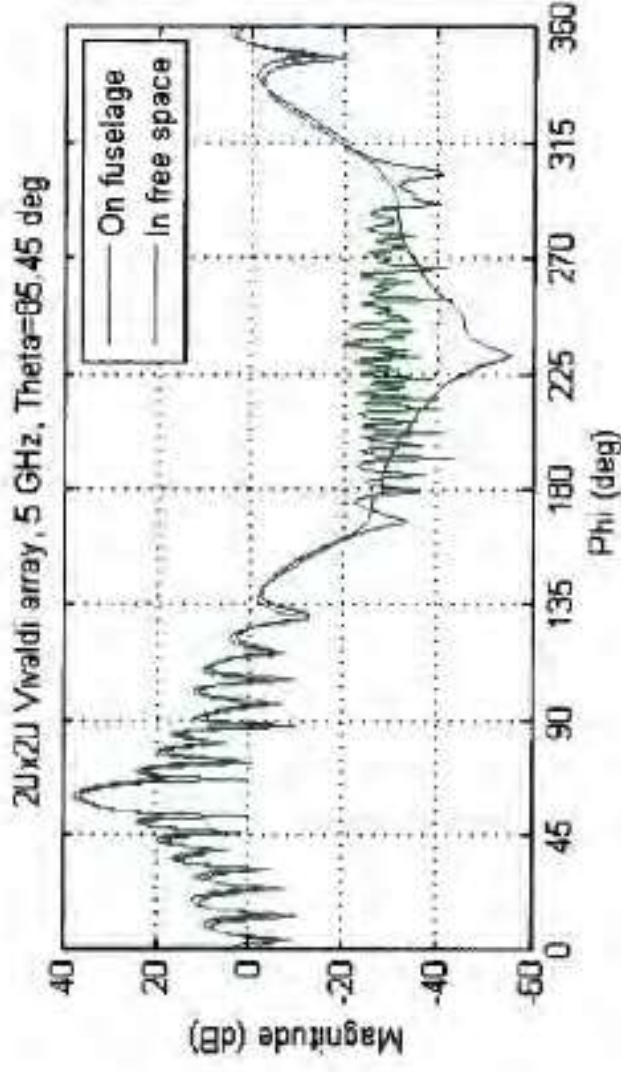
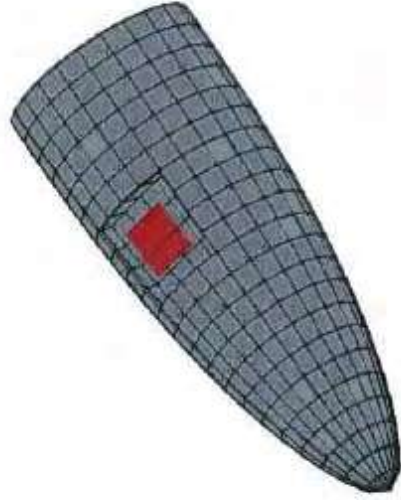
# 20 by 20 Vivaldi array mounted on larger platform



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# 20 by 20 Vivaldi array mounted on larger platform



## Computational Statistic

Iteration Number: 18

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Antenna	11:10:48	400M	8,288,904
Cavity	2:29:06	330M	167,580
Coupling	2:41:42		
OuterLoop	0:3:0	223M	
High Freq	0:5:30		

# Conclusions

- An asymptotic **UTD** ray solution has been developed for describing, in a **collective** fashion, the fields radiated by large conformal antenna arrays on a doubly curved, smooth convex surface.
- The present solution will provide an **efficient link** between the local array part to be analyzed numerically and the full external platform part to be analyzed by UTD, in a **hybrid method** for analyzing large complex antenna phased arrays integrated into a realistic complex platform.
- The present collective UTD ray solution shows a good agreement with the conventional element-by-element UTD field summation solution.





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